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LAG B'OMER COIFFURE

Lag b'Omer, May 21 this year, is a break in the mourning period that falls between Pesach and Shavuot. It commemorates the day when a plague that afflicted the students of Rabbi Akiva miraculously stopped. Many people, especially Chassidim, have the custom of cutting their sons' hair for the first time on Lag b'Omer when they reach three years of age. In Israel, enthusiastic crowds come to the tomb of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai on Mount Meron to fulfil this custom. The child in this picture about to be relieved of his locks seems to be quite happy at the prospect. Jews traditionally also mark this day by picnics, parties and outdoor celebrations. (WZPS photo)

Canada to host another round of refugee talks

By RON CSILLAG

OTTAWA —

The 35 delegates participating at last week's Ottawa round of Mideast peace talks were "united in their support of the Middle East peace process," the final communique issued by Canada said.

"The situation of displaced persons in the Middle East carries with it many painful memories and much history: we cannot ignore those memories or alter that history. But we can try to reshape the future in a positive way."

There was "broad consensus" during the session that the refugee problem could not, and should not, await a successful conclusion of bilateral negotiations.

The communique stated that delegates were "mindful of the absence of Lebanon, Syria and Israel, and very much hope that these three countries can see their way clear to take part in future talks on refugees."

Delegates discussed family reunification, human resource development, job training, child welfare and public health.

Canadian officials described the discussions at the three-day meeting, held exclusively behind closed doors, as "serious and constructive." They announced that the refugee talks will reconvene this autumn, in Canada.

The Ottawa round, one of five working groups on regional issues, was set up last January as part of the multilateral phase of Mideast peace negotiations. They were born out of the initial Madrid conference, which formally opened Oct. 30, and which have been followed by bilateral talks between Israel and three Arab delegations representing the front-line parties — Syria, Lebanon and a joint Jordan/Palestinian delegation.

The Israelis boycotted the Ottawa talks, as well as concurrent negotiations in Brussels on economic development, because the Palestinian delegations included representatives from outside the West Bank and Gaza Strip — so-called non-indigenous or diaspora Palestinians.

Included in the Ottawa round were three Palestinians from outside the territories, one of whom was Eli Zureik, a sociology professor at Queen's University in Kingston.

Israel's long-held position is that permitting Palestinian representatives from outside the territories would mean symbolic endorsement by the international community of Palestinian right of return to territory that is now Israel. In Israel's view, allowing hundreds of thousands of Palestinians to return to Israel would mean the death of the Jewish state. Throughout the talks, Israel's embassy in Ottawa repeated its strong opposition to the concept of the right of return, although it issued no official statement.

As the holder of the gavel, it was Canada's unenviable task to prevent the 12 Arab delegations from ganging up on absent Israel. Because the media was not admitted to the sessions, it was difficult to determine whether conference chairman Marc Perron, associate deputy minister for African and Middle Eastern affairs, was successful in that endeavor.

While the conference had all the makings of a public relations disaster for Israel, it ended rather with a whimper than a bang. For three days frustrated reporters were grasping for any tidbit of news from unusually tight-lipped Canadian officials.

The seven-man Jordan/Palestinian delegation wasted little time in getting its message across. The night before the sessions began, the chief Palestinian spokesman, Muhammed Hallaj, director of the Washington-based Centre for Policy Analysis on Palestine, briefed reporters on why the right of return is "a life and death" issue for his people.

Asked whether his delegation represents the Palestine Liberation Organization, Hallaj said, "Palestinians are one people."

Hallaj added that Israel is "committed" to the right of return through UN Resolution 194, passed in 1948, which calls for the right of return to territory that is now Israel, for Arabs willing to live in peace, or compensation for them.

Both Canada and the U.S. delegation worked to keep the talks on a practical level. Modest proposals, especially those which could draw Israel into the refugee debate, were encouraged.

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Israeli prisoners reveal torture after release from Egyptians

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Four Israelis imprisoned in Egypt since February returned home with tales of torture and humiliation during their three months' incarceration on suspicion of spying.

Their release culminated weeks of high-level, behind-the-scenes diplomatic activity which reportedly included U.S. intervention and a telephone conversation between Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and President Hosni Mubrark of Egypt.

David Ovitz, 33, a furniture dealer from Givatayim who was arrested in Cairo on Feb. 8, charged that "the entire affair was planned and timed by the Egyptian government" for the purpose of smearing Israel.

He added that his arrest was "an attempt to jeopardize Israeli-Egyptian relations."

The others released are Fares Mussarti, 41, an Arab resident of Ramla; his son Jajid, 21; and 17-year-old daughter, Faya. They claimed torture and intimidation forced them to confess to false accusations of espionage and to implicate Ovitz.

According to Ovitz, the Mussartis were forced to incriminate him because the Egyptians wanted to include an Israeli Jew in the case "to make their suspicions of the Mussartis more credible."

Ovitz, who speaks neither Arabic nor English, occasionally had employed Fares Mussarti as an interpreter on furniture-buying trips to Egypt.

But that connection cost him dearly. "I will never talk to that family, and they know why," he told reporters. He did not elaborate.

He said he was treated fairly in jail but there were times he believed he was fated to stay behind bars for a very long time.

Faya Mussarti said she was tortured by electric shocks applied to her mouth and was deprived of food for days.

Her father, Fares, said he was tortured by his interrogators. He said he would be awakened at 3 a.m., tied up by his arms to a pole and ordered to confess.

"I would tell them whatever they wanted. How much could I suffer?" the elder Mussarti said.

He and his daughter were accused of espionage. At first they were linked to Mossad, the Israeli secret service. Later the Egyptians insinuated a connection to other, possibly Libyan, elements, Mussarti said.

He admitted to exchanging blows with Egyptian police who raided his rented apartment in the heart of Cairo at the beginning of February.

Majid Mussarti was arrested a few days later after crossing the border from Libya. The family was first accused of travelling in Egypt with a false document, a charge to which they confessed.

Ovitz said he went to Egypt in February to bid on used furniture at the American Embassy in Cairo. He was trucking a shipment of furniture from Alexandria to Cairo when he was stopped by a police roadblock outside the Egyptian capital and arrested.

Likud upset over poll

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

In what may be a classic case of blaming the messenger, Likud activists were reported to be furious with Dr. Mina Tsemach, a leading pollster, for publishing an opinion poll showing Likud lagging behind the Labor Party little more than a month before Knesset elections.

Tsemach was commissioned by Likud to conduct periodic surveys of the electorate during the campaign. But the poll she published in *Yediot Achronot* was commissioned by the newspaper, the leading daily in the country.

It showed that if the elections were held now, Labor would win 46 Knesset seats to Likud's 31. The respondents were from a representative sample of 506 voters.

Tsemach said the results were a continuation of a trend she detected early this year, showing Likud slipping relative to Labor.

But more important in terms of coalition-building after the June 23 elections, the poll showed Labor and the left-wing parties with a combined total of 63 of the Knesset's 120 seats, a working, if precarious majority.

Labor and the leftist Meretz bloc, along with the Arab splinter parties, would be able to prevent Likud from forming a coalition government with the small parties of the extreme right and the religious bloc.

Labor's goal in this election is said to be to achieve such a "blocking" ability in the hope that in that situation one or more of the religious parties would swing over into a Labor-led coalition, or else that Likud would have to agree to a unity government under Labor leader Yitzhak Rabin.

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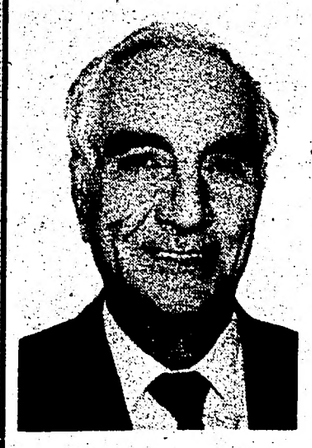

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Canada

Israelis, Palestinians back peace process: Herzog

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —
The broad-based opinion within Israeli and Palestinian communities is that somehow a way will be found for the two groups to co-exist says the national vice-president of the Canada-Israel Committee.

"When you leave out idealists and those with minority views, most people are taking the peace process seriously," Shira Herzog said recently at the second annual Marnie Kimmelman memorial lecture sponsored by Adath Israel Synagogue.

She stressed that it is the majority of people, "not 100 percent. I am talking about the silent majority. Israel can neither wage war nor make peace without broad-based consensus from the people."

She said that a slow step by step approach allows Israel to negotiate from a position of strength. "The majority feel that these steps are the steps to move forward and they feel that the process will not be abandoned."

Another reason for being optimistic, she said, is that such countries as Libya, Syria, Jordan and Egypt are now discussing ways to live with, instead of how to eliminate, Israel. "It is not the same debate. It used to be an existential debate and now it is a political debate. Political debates can be resolved and managed."

She said that it took the intifada, the Gulf War and the end of the Cold War for the talks to begin. "Things had to happen internally to see that a compromise had to be made. This led to realism on both sides and an effort to move slowly."

Herzog said that although Syria wants back the Golan Heights, it also wants to be removed from the black-list of countries supporting terrorism so it is prepared to talk. As far as the Golan Heights is concerned "a straight trade is not on the table, but if the issue remains unresolved it will not necessarily hamper the talks elsewhere."

She warned, however, that there are still dangers. "There is an abundance of cheap weapons available in Russia and other Eastern European countries and these countries need cash which means Arabs can buy weapons at bargain prices."

Herzog said that the "event that brings us here is a painful reminder of the bitter-sweet nature of our collective history. On the eve of Holocaust Remembrance Day and Israel's birthday we see that one event sought to erase our past and the other carved out what would be a new future. That is the continuum of Jewish history."

She said that we must remember that in the Middle East everything is laced with emotion, religion and elements we cannot always understand or foresee. "No matter how strongly we feel, a solid dose of humility is called for before we give advice. We must be educated and care about the issue and realize that any position on the spectrum is legitimate, even if we don't agree. If we feel close, we must respect the legitimacy of the debate."

She said that "the waters of the Middle East run deep and the currents are hidden. We cannot pretend to know it all."

Anti-Semitism on rise in U.S.: Dershowitz

By
PAUL LUNGEN

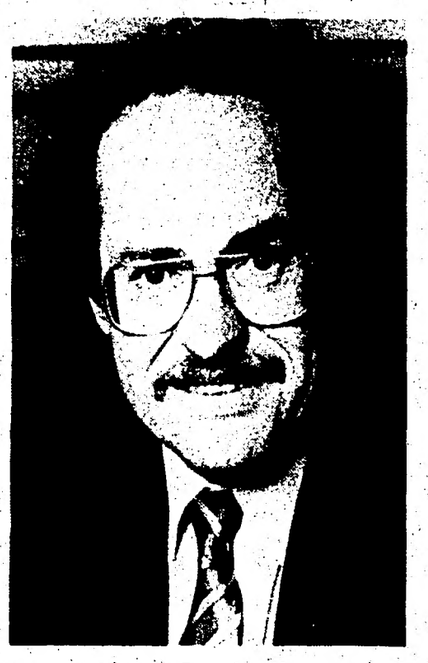
TORONTO —
In elections for governor of the stat of Louisiana, former Ku Klux Klansman and ex-Nazi David Duke wins a majority among white voters.

In his bid for the Republican Party's presidential nomination, journalist Patrick Buchanan, known for his support of accused Nazi war criminals and for resurrecting during the Gulf War "the dual canard of Jewish power and Jewish cowardice," garners large numbers of votes among Republicans.

Former National Security Council operative Oliver North describes pervasive anti-Semitism in the United States' foreign policy establishment.

President George Bush, faced with thousands of Jewish lobbyists exercising their democratic rights to push for loan guarantees for Israel, claims he is a "lonely" individual fighting a powerful lobbying machine.

More than the high profile incidents of swastikas daubed on synagogues, these manifestations point to a growth of anti-Semitism in the American mainstream, warned Harvard law professor and author Alan Dershowitz. And in a stinging rebuke to the U.S. Jewish establishment, Dershowitz said it is not doing enough to raise concerns about these developments.



Alan Dershowitz

Speaking recently at a lecture sponsored by Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, Dershowitz said Bush's remarks "scared the Jewish leadership out of their collective wits."

While Bush is no anti-Semite, he doesn't have a special feeling for Israel and finds it an "inconvenience" for his foreign policy, he said. The net result is that he has helped delegitimize the position of Israel in the United States and around the world.

Bush can be expected to take a more anti-Israeli stance in the future, Dershowitz said, adding that the Jewish leadership is failing in its job of making Israel's case. "We live in an adversarial world" and Jews must present arguments on behalf of Israel.

He said he now regrets signing a letter criticizing settlements in the territories, adding, "I strongly believe that as committed Jews and Zionists, our role is as advocates for Israel."

Dershowitz, whose recent book *Chutzpah* is on *The New York Times* best seller list, said the Jewish leadership has taken a meek position in the Jonathan Pollard spy case and is out of step with the views of the average Jew, who only wants Pollard's sentence to be equal to those of others convicted of spying.

Enthralled audience

Touching on politics, free speech, law and religion, and spicing his comments with comical anecdotes, Dershowitz enthralled the audience at the University of Toronto's Convocation Hall.

Turning to the phenomenon of Holocaust-denial, he said it was "a tragic mistake" to bring to trial propagandists like Toronto's Ernst Zundel. A court case gives them an unwarranted platform and instead they should be combatted "in the marketplace of ideas."

Holocaust-deniers don't expect to win people over to their views in this century, Dershowitz said. But they are looking to the long term when historical memories fade and when skillful propaganda will convince even educated college students that the Holocaust can be questioned.

Turning to other end of the political spectrum, Dershowitz warned about anti-Semitism increasing on the left, particularly among African-Americans. Pointing to the case of Leonard Jeffries, a lecturer at the City University of New York, he noted that Jeffries claims Blacks are superior to whites and that Jews brought Blacks to America as slaves.

Thousands of students try to enroll in his classes, he said, adding that that does not bode well for the future leadership of the Black community.

Dershowitz said his next book will look at Jews in the year 2025. Many young people see their heritage as too great a burden and are abandoning it, he said. But he sees Judaism as a rich and eclectic source of strength, containing more than one path which can be incorporated into whatever life you choose to lead.

Dershowitz's lecture was the last in this year's series of six presented by the New Leadership Toronto Chapter of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University. The new leadership's goals are to raise the profile of the university, attract more people to the organization, raise funds and sponsor educational programs.

Vaughan condemns Syria for treatment of Jews

TORONTO —
Vaughan is the first city in Ontario to pass a resolution opposing the repression of Syrian Jews.

In a resolution passed at the request of the Institute for International Affairs of B'nai Brith Canada, the Vaughan city council requested that the government of Canada make representations to Syria to lift repressive measures and "permit its Jewish citizens to emigrate freely in accordance with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights."

According to Vaughan councillor Bernie Green, who spearheaded the resolution, "governments at all levels must speak out on behalf of Syria's oppressed Jewish community. I hope that our Council's work will encourage other cities to pass similar resolutions."

The Syrian Jewry committee of the Institute is approaching municipalities across Metropolitan Toronto.

Michael Schelew, national Syrian Jewry chairman of B'nai Brith's Institute said, "It is clear that international pressure is having a positive impact on Syria's treatment of its 4,000 Jewish minority. The Swed brothers, who had been arbitrarily imprisoned since 1987, were recently released from a Syrian prison. Last week's announcement at the Middle East peace conference that travel and property restrictions on Syrian Jewry are being lifted must be matched by concrete actions permitting Jews to leave Syria if they so desire."

The Institute released a special report last month authored by Schelew entitled Syrian Jewry: A Community in Peril which outlines the history of the Jewish community in Syria, lists cases since 1987 where Syrian Jews were unjustly imprisoned and updates the current situation.

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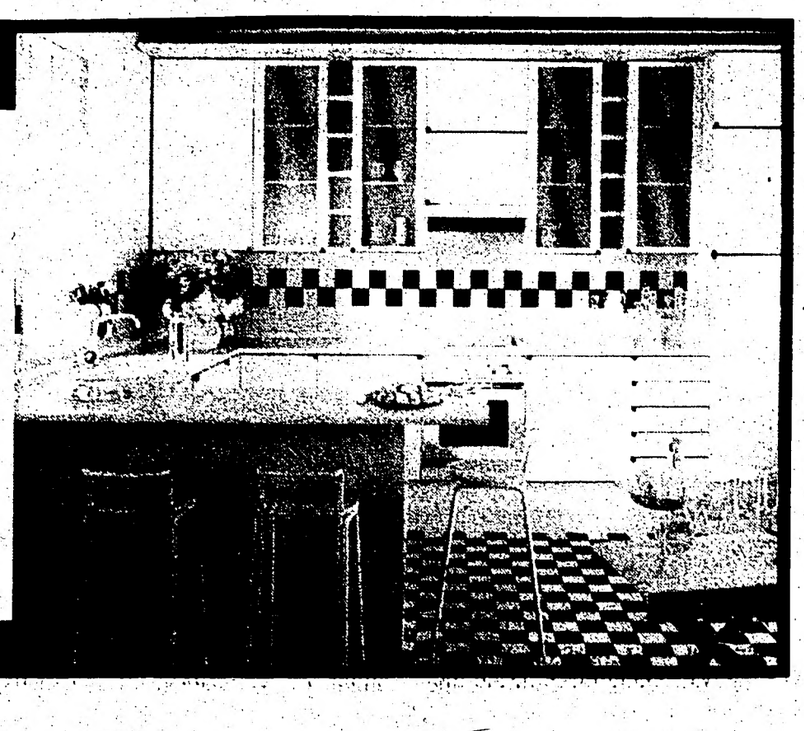


Montreal insurance broker acclaimed as CJC treasurer

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Stanley Abbey said it came as a complete surprise when nominations committee chairman Milton Harris asked him to run for treasurer of Canadian Jewish Congress.

Abbey, a 62-year-old insurance broker, has had no direct involvement with CJC except for organizing a major rally for Soviet Jewry about 20 years ago at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel.

He was convinced to stand when informed that, by tradition, CJC treasurers have come from outside the fold and that his "number-crunching" abilities suited him to the job.

Abbey is the only Montrealer acclaimed or running for a national officer position. He was acclaimed when Leonard Goldberg withdrew from the race.

Abbey, son of Monroe Abbey, who was CJC president from 1968-71, is president of the insurance companies Philip Abbey Inc. and Abbey-Finestone Inc. His partner is Bernard Finestone, former chairman of CJC, Quebec region.

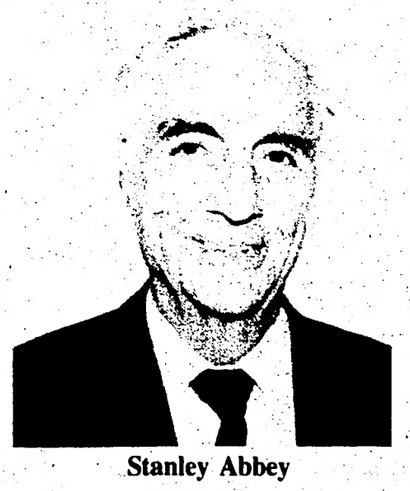
Abbey is currently a life governor of the Jewish General Hospital and honorary president of the Elm Ridge Golf and Country Club.

Among his past community associations are president of Jewish Family Services of the Baron de Hirsch Institute from 1972-74 and vice-chairman of Combined Jewish Appeal.

Abbey said he expects to be dealing with the issue of CJC's future in Montreal during his three-year term. This includes the discussion over whether it makes sense to maintain Samuel Bronfman House as CJC national headquarters.

He said there are voices within Allied Jewish Community Services and the National Budgeting Conference that say keeping the building, located at the corner of Cote des Neiges Road and Penfield Avenue in downtown Montreal, is too costly.

"I don't think this is realistic," Abbey said. "If CJC moves, who are we going to pay rent to? There's also the cost of re-establishing ourselves elsewhere."



Stanley Abbey

However, Abbey said he doesn't see "anything wrong in the national headquarters going up to Ottawa, but I would argue against its moving to Toronto. There's no necessity."

For the meantime, Bronfman House is "not an excessive drain (on community funds). It's worth every penny, for what it represents."

And that to Abbey is the address of Canadian Jewry, especially for the public at large and government. Bronfman House may enjoy greater recognition among non-Jews than "the average Jew," Abbey said, who is more interested in direct service to the Jewish community or synagogue life.

Abbey said he has read the Lithwick report, which outlines changes in CJC's structure and priorities. He believes certain activities of CJC in the regions, say Yiddish culture, might better be handled by another local body.

Nevertheless, community relations and advocacy work should remain in the hands of CJC, he feels. "AJCS was never meant for that."

On the other hand, the welfare of Yiddish in Canada may be an appropriate national concern of CJC, he said.

Eventually, Abbey expects "all but a minor percentage" of CJC's mandate to be national in nature and, therefore, it would make sense to have a stronger presence in Ottawa.

CJC is carrying no debt currently, but Abbey expects CJC will have to keep a tight rein on its expenditures in the years ahead.

And in case anyone is wondering, Abbey insists he has no plans or desire to follow in his father's footsteps as CJC president.

The recruitment of Abbey was one reason another Montrealer, Rabbi Reuben Poupko, dropped out of the race for the position of honorary counsel.

Rabbi Poupko, recently acclaimed chairman of the executive of CJC Quebec region, said he decided to withdraw also because he did not want to run against Winnipeg lawyer Joseph Wilder, since acclaimed honorary counsel.

"I have no trouble making my voice heard without being an officer," said Rabbi Poupko, spiritual leader of Beth Israel Beth Aaron Congregation.

'Survivors' terminology opposed

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A high profile meeting was held recently in Ottawa by a group known as Survivors of the Abortion Holocaust.

Their meeting was billed as the First International Gathering of Survivors of the Abortion Holocaust and it coincided with an anti-abortion conference sponsored by Human Life International (HLI), an American-based group.

The choice of language employed by the group prompted B'nai Brith Canada (BBC) to fire off a letter of concern to HLI, which sponsored the "survivors' gathering."

"The word Holocaust has come, in our time, to be used to describe a singularly horrible event in human history, namely the genocidal war of the Nazis against the Jewish people," wrote Ian Kagedan, national director of government relations for BBC. "To appropriate that term to any other use diminishes its impact and diminishes our ability to learn from the Holocaust its lesson, including those which have to do with racism and its ultimate consequence, genocide.

"The use of the terms Holocaust as it has been used in some of your literature appears to us as a cruel parody which neither advances your cause nor demonstrates respect for those who died at the hands of the Nazis," Kagedan writes.

But Vernon Kirby, director of publications for HLI and co-ordinator of the Ottawa gathering, said the term Holocaust does not belong to any particular group and he said HLI plans to continue using it in the future. "It is a word that has a broader meaning and it encompasses the survivors of the abortion Holocaust" — those who lived through botched abortion attempts, he said.

In a news release, Paul Marx, founder and president of HLI responded to Kagedan saying, "The word [Holocaust] has been around several thousand years before World War II and its definition encompasses the mass slaughter of innocent, unborn human beings being targeted for abortion."

Kirby told *The CJN* that the choice of language employed by HLI was patterned after that adopted by Jewish groups because "it is successful."

He said that like the Nazi Holocaust, "there is a strong genocidal dimension to abortion." One of the founders of a movement pushing for contraception "is very much into eugenics," he claimed, while abortion and contraception are being advocated for the Third World to reduce their populations.

Kirby said HLI plans to hold the Second International Gathering of Survivors of the Abortion Holocaust next year in Houston.

Kirby described HLI as an educational, pro-life organization with 21 U.S. chapters and a regional office in Ottawa.

In its statement of principles, HLI states that "human life begins at the instant of conception."

Winnipeg synagogue vandalized

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

The Rosh Pina Congregation, north Winnipeg's largest synagogue, sustained several broken stained glass and other windows when neighborhood vandals struck in late April. Staff members were able to catch some of the young teen and pre-teen culprits on April 27 when they returned for more mischief while a meeting was taking place inside the synagogue.

"We haven't had any problems like this for years," says Sid Ritter, the Rosh Pina's executive director. "We think these were just kids out to do vandalism." He reports that a few days earlier a number of cars parked off a lane near the synagogue had their windows shot out by pellet guns. The car owners are of varied ethnic backgrounds.

Ritter is unable to put a dollar figure on the damage yet. He reports eight of 41 stained glass panels around the front doors on the west side of the building were broken and some windows in the skylight were damaged.

"Replacing the front windows was difficult," he says. "They are big, six-sided windows and had to be specially cut and colored. We have replaced them but they are a different color from the other panels."

All the stained glass windows will be treated with a special plastic coating to protect them from further harm, he reports.

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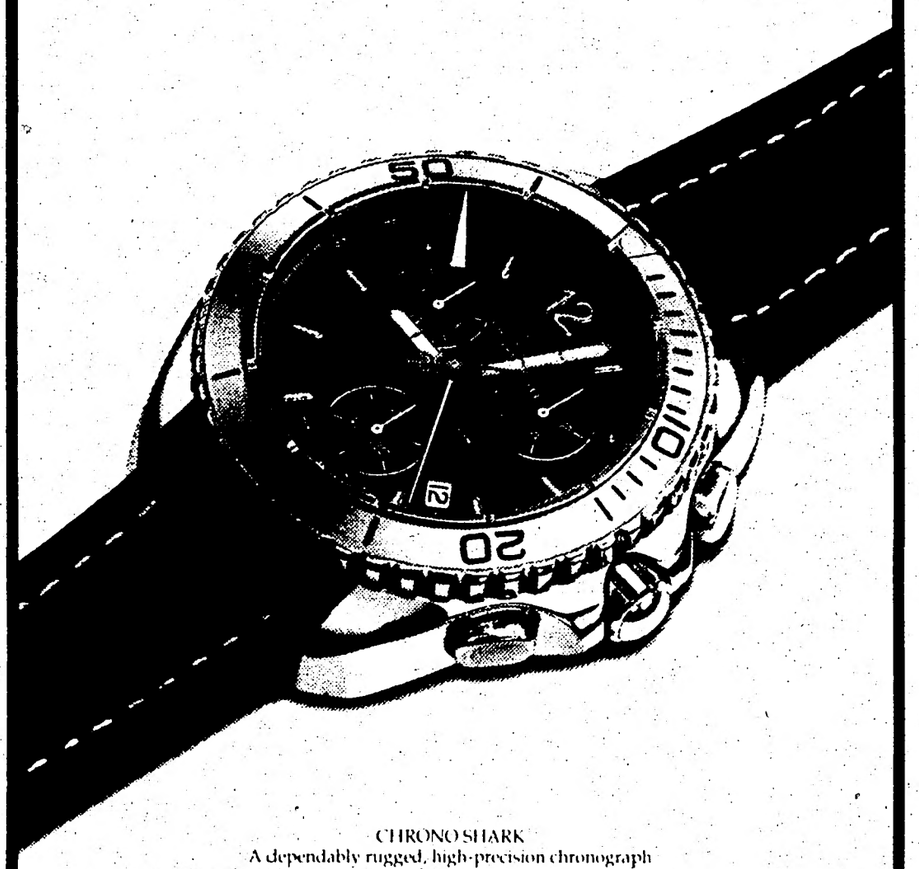

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Ethiopian social workers adjust to new life in Israel

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

When 25-year-old Jewish Agency social worker Meseret Shibru speaks to Russian olim in their own language, their reaction is invariably one of astonishment. Shibru, black-skinned and fine-boned with the high cheekbones of a fashion model, immigrated from Ethiopia in 1984.

Shibru, along with fellow social worker Ronni Akalie, a captain in the IDF, was in Toronto recently to speak at a Canadian Friends of Haifa University dinner.

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Shibru was raised in an eight-room stone house in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia's capital city, which once had a Jewish population of 3,000. Her father, a doctor, died before she made aliyah. Her mother, a nurse specializing in family planning, put herself at risk helping other Ethiopian Jews make arrangements to go to Israel, an activity that was illegal, said Shibru. She was imprisoned for two years before making aliyah herself, and is now working as a nurse in Israel.

"I was very depressed," said Shibru of the time her mother spent in prison. Her Israeli roommate at Haifa University, where she was studying social work, left a note for her one day, using the words of a Hebrew song, "Why are you crying?...If I can help, please tell me.

"It was very emotional for me," recalls Shibru, still touched by the gesture. "I didn't know she saw me when I was crying."

Akalie, who was one of the two other Ethiopians in Shibru's class at the school of social work, grew up in a village in Gondar, in northern Ethiopia. His parents were farmers, and although they lacked amenities such as electricity and water ("We had the river," says Akalie), they were well-to-do landowners who visited the city often enough that such amenities were not unfamiliar.

Most Ethiopian Jews lived in exclusively Jewish villages, explained Shibru. Like their North American counterparts, Ethiopian Jews feared assimilation, and living away from the city was one way to prevent it.

As youngsters, Shibru and Akalie were educated in Jewish day schools by Ethiopian Jewish and Israeli teachers. They worshipped in small synagogues where men and women sat separately, hidden from each other's sight by a high mechitzah (partition).

One of the biggest culture shocks on moving to Israel was seeing the dearth of traditional observance. "We thought they would all be datiyim [religious]," said Shibru. "On Shabbat we do not drive, we do not light fire, and we do not go far from our villages," explained Akalie.

"My aim was to come to Jerusalem and live in a Jewish country," said Akalie. The fulfillment of that goal eight years ago, when he was 21, included a risky seven-day journey on foot across 800 km of desert to Sudan with 72 other young people, 32 of whom were Jewish. The rest wanted to escape because they didn't like the government, said Akalie.

Their provisions were meagre. When their food supply was exhausted, they ate fruit that they found growing in the desert. They were made to wait three days at the border of Sudan before they were allowed to enter.

Akalie recalls the six weeks he spent in Sudan as "very difficult. It was hard to get food. There were money shortages. It was hard to get to a doctor. Four thousand Ethiopian Jews died in Sudan, especially the elderly and young people.

Once he was in Israel, Akalie spent a year studying economics at the Hebrew University, following ulpan and a university preparatory program. He had worked as an accountant for the government in Ethiopia following his graduation from high school.

During his year at Hebrew U, he decided that he would prefer to study social work so that he could help other olim.

Akalie and Shibru are appreciative of the consideration Haifa University showed them as Ethiopian olim. They were permitted to take exams orally, for example, during their first year when they still found written Hebrew difficult.

They have never experienced discrimination in Israel, they said. "The Israelis are very warm. They don't wait until you come and ask them; they ask you if you need help."

Media reports of discrimination by Russian olim against Ethiopian olim are "very exaggerated," said Shibru. She has not met with resistance from any of the Russian olim she deals with in her work, she said, although she and Akalie conceded that there have been some problems resulting from a different "mentality."

Shibru and Akalie consider themselves Israeli now. They've shed some of the reserve that is typical of Ethiopian Jews. "We keep a distance until we know you," said Shibru. "Israelis think we're shy. They say, 'You have to shout. You're not in Ethiopia.' "

Despite the vast differences between life in Ethiopia and Israel, differences which are even greater for most of the Ethiopian olim than for Shibru and Akalie, the difficulties in Israel are relatively unimportant to them.

"We just wanted to come to Jerusalem. That was our hope and our dream and our aim," said Shibru.

Most of the Ethiopian olim, when they arrive, don't know how to use a bank or how to shop. The food and the language are unfamiliar. After a year in an absorption centre, they are ready to live their new lives, according to Shibru. "For me it's very exciting," she says of her work with olim. "I myself know what it means to be an immigrant."

Ronni Akalie (left) and Meseret (Mesi) Shibru

Israeli university programs help students Bridge the Gap

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

"I must tell you a story," said Haifa University president Ozer Schild during a *CJN* interview when he was in Toronto recently. "Two months ago we had a lunch in honor of somebody, and I shall only at the end of the story tell you who that somebody was.

"He was born in Morocco and came to Israel as a child with his parents. He lived in a transition camp in the 1950s. I don't remember whether he completed high school or not. While he was serving in the army, he trained as a mechanic, and when he completed the army, he started earning a living as a mechanic.

"And then the university's outreach program said, 'You can do better for yourself. Why don't you come and study?' He said he had great doubts, but his wife was very supportive. So he went to university and completed a BA in French literature and political science, and he was very successful.

"The university persuaded him to go for a Master's degree, so he did, and he was very successful. Then the university said, 'Why don't you go for a PhD?' He went to France and did a PhD in French literature. He came back to Israel and started teaching French literature at the university.

"Then he decided that his obligations to society were more than he would fulfill by pursuing an academic career, so he entered public life and was elected mayor of one of the development towns in Israel. And now I'll tell you why we gave him that lunch. This was in honor of Dr. Yehuda Lenkry, on being appointed the ambassador of Israel to France."

Ozer Schild

Then Schild chuckled, obviously relishing the student's success. The outreach program that helped him, called Bridging the Gap, predates Schild's 16-year association with the university, and has been imitated by other universities, said Schild.

The need for such programs exists because of what Schild calls "ethnic inequality" in Israel. Contrary to popular opinion, the problem has not been solved, he said. Sephardim are still overrepresented among Israel's unskilled workers, while there is a disproportionate number of Ashkenazim in managerial or technical positions.

This has nothing to do with discrimination, says Schild. "If two people enter the Israeli job market with the same educational background, they will end up with the same occupation," he maintains.

The problem is one of higher education. "Most Israelis complete 12 years of school. There is very little difference between Ashkenazim and Sephardim in that respect," he said.

Among the explanations for the post-secondary school discrepancy is the high concentration of Sephardic Jews in development towns, which are not very attractive to many teachers, said Schild.

One of the ways in which Israel is attempting to solve this inequality is to expand university enrollment capacity, particularly at Haifa University in the north, which had 7,000 students last year and is slated to grow to 12,000 in five years, and at Ben-Gurion University in the south. This solution also addresses the needs of Israel's massive population of new immigrants.

Students at Haifa University are exposed to a broad cross-section of Israel's population. In addition to a student population which is 18 percent Arab, Haifa University has included Israel's National Defense College for the past four years. The diversity of students, many of whom sit side by side in classes, adds a broader dimension to their education. "I don't think there's any university in the country so heterogeneous," said Schild.

United support at refugee talks

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In later sessions, rhetoric on Palestinian right of return all but evaporated and was replaced by more level-headed proposals to improve the living conditions of Mideast refugees who dwell in squalid tent camps, as well as proposals on family reunification. But the Egyptian delegation reminded the conference that nuts-and-bolts issues cannot be tackled without solving the broader political matters at hand.

Although largely absent from the Ottawa sessions, discussion of the right of return for Palestinians touched off a furor in Washington and Jerusalem during the talks. At the arms control negotiations in Washington, Israelis were reportedly angry over U.S. State Department spokesman Margaret Tutwiler's apparently cavalier remark that the United States supports UN Resolution 194.

Israeli officials saw her remarks as "punishment" for Israel's boycott of the Ottawa round. They focused their concern on the fact that the State Department, on the eve of the refugee talks, chose to voice its endorsement of the right of return.

In Jerusalem, both Labor and Likud blasted the U.S. statement and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir dismissed Palestinian right of return as as "empty phrase" that is "utterly meaningless."

But the next day, Tutwiler backtracked, stressing that the refugee issue can be solved only through the bilateral talks between Israel and the Arabs.

In fact, even before the Ottawa round began, U.S. Secretary of State James Baker was quoted as saying that the American delegation to Ottawa would block all discussion of right of return. Palestinian spokesman Hallaj countered that as far as he knew his team could raise any issue they wanted.

The official Palestinian statement to the conference seemed to many as almost conciliatory. While it stated that the refugee problem "is the political core of the Question of Palestine," gone was the old rhetoric about returning to "our" olive trees and orange groves. In fact, some observers saw it as significant that the statement says progress on the issue cannot be made without the "solemn recognition" of refugees' right of return, as opposed to actual right of return. Nevertheless, the document added that compensation should never be an alternative to recognition of the right of return.

In an interview with several Israeli reporters here, Palestinian delegate Salim Tamari, a sociology professor at Bir Zeit University on the West Bank, who was born in Jaffa in 1945, sounded a distinctly dovish tone. Tamari used the phrases "homeland" and "land of Palestine," as opposed to "state of Palestine." The Israelis saw that as a significant distinction, one bolstered by Tamari's statement that Jaffa to him is now more a symbol than his home.

The Jordan/Palestinian statement appealed directly to the Israelis. "We know they are listening to us," it said, "even though their delegation has decided to boycott this session because of the mere fact of our presence, we the Palestinians of Exile. We know they are listening to us and we add that they must hear us. And they know it."

The parameters of the talks were determined as "persons displaced by the Arab-Israeli conflict," which effectively eliminated discussion of the 4,000,000 Kurds seeking refuge from Saddam Hussein or the 350,000 Palestinians kicked out of Gulf states following the Gulf War, most of whom hold Jordanian citizenship but 50,000 of whom have settled on the West Bank.

Virtually absent as well was discussion of the estimated 800,000 Jews in Israel who fled from Arab lands in 1948 and who are defined as refugees. Although these Jews do not seek repatriation, the Israeli argument has been for compensation.

But the numbers are daunting, nevertheless. According to various UN definitions there are an estimated 900,000 Palestinian refugees on the West Bank, including 350,000 in refugee camps; 300,000 each in Lebanon and Syria; and 1.2 million in Jordan. Israel disputes the number of refugees in camps, saying the actual figure is much lower.

According to the Palestinian statement to the conference, Palestinian refugees are "all those Palestinians and their descendants who were expelled or forced to leave their homes between November 1947 (Partition Plan) and January 1949 (Rhodes Armistice Agreements), from the territory controlled by Israel on that latter date. This, by the way, coincides with the Israeli definition of 'absentees,' a category of Palestinians meant to be stripped of its most elementary human and civil rights."

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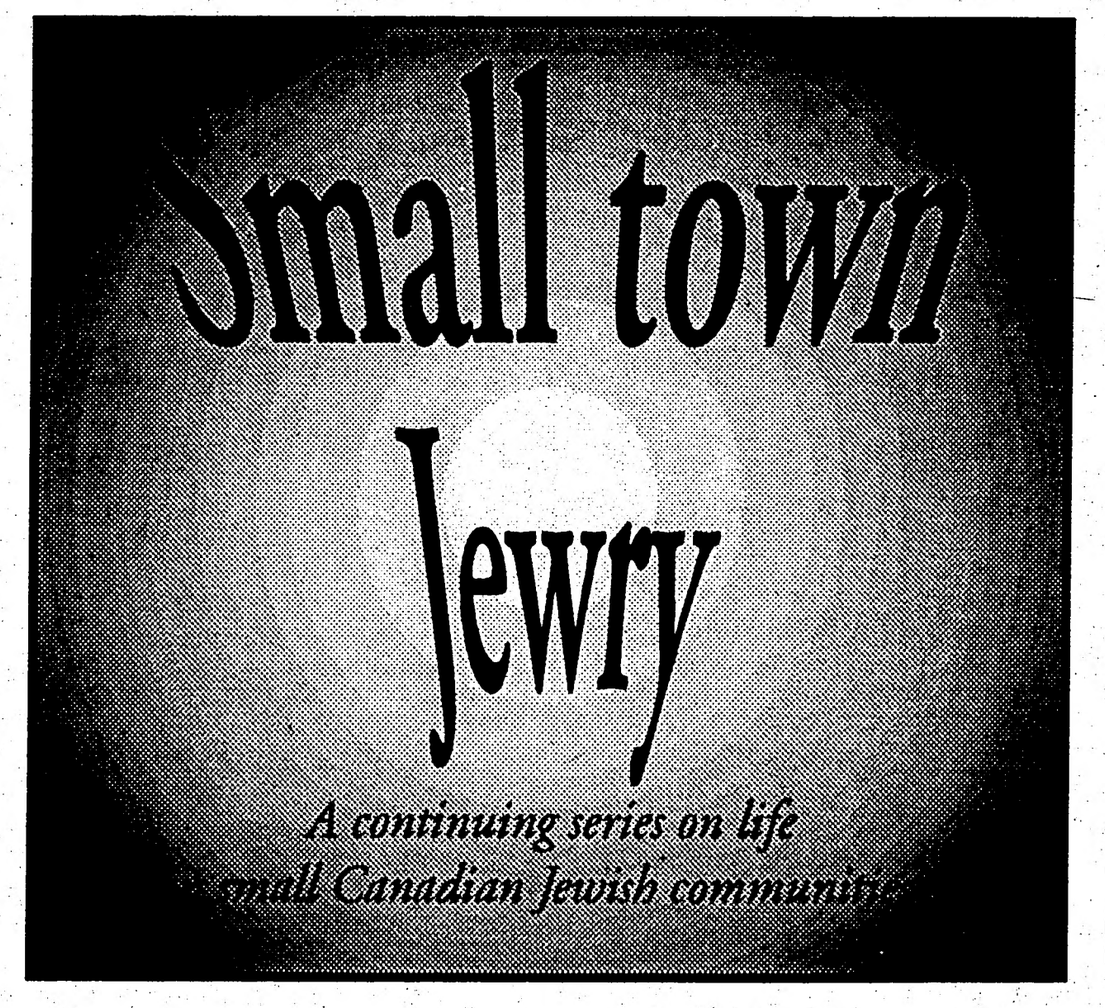


Hillel maintains fun place at Queen's University

KINGSTON —

No one is sure how many Jewish students are enrolled at Queen's University, but Elisa Udaskin, Hillel's outgoing president, thinks the figure hovers around the 400 mark.

Hillel itself has a membership of about 150.

Udaskin, a 21-year-old politics major from Toronto, says Hillel's most popular functions include traditional Shabbat dinners, Israeli dancing, Purim parties and movie nights.

"We've made it a lot of fun to belong to Hillel," she says, but adds that Hillel is still afflicted by a nerdy image.

Hillel events are held in Otterburn House, which was declared a historic site last year and has since been renovated. The law partner of John A. Macdonald, Canada's first prime minister, lived here.

Udaskin and her successor, Nisa Krongold-Shechtman, 19, say that Arab-Jewish tensions at Queen's have risen lately because a pro-Arab group, International Concern for the Middle East, has engaged in Israel-bashing which, they claim, has spilled into outright anti-Semitism.

They voice regret that Queen's administration has not regarded their concerns seriously enough.— S.K.

Preparing a Sabbath meal at Hillel. From left: Tammy Fudem, Elisa Udaskin and Nisa Krongold-Schechtman.

Kingston undergoing demographic changes

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

KINGSTON —

Betty Siegel, 64, is a witness.

In her lifetime, Siegel — a Kingstonian by birth — has observed tremendous demographic changes in Kingston's Jewish community.

"The profile has changed," she says, "from a largely business to a mixed business/academic/professional community."

Marion Meyer, president of Kingston's Jewish Community Council and author of *The Jews of Kingston*, concurs with Siegel's assessment.

German and East European Jews who settled in Kingston in the mid-19th century depended mainly on peddling and retailing for their livelihood, she explains.

There were, however, notable exceptions. Simon Oberndorffer, who was instrumental in founding Kingston's first synagogue, was a cigar manufacturer. His descendants are reportedly no longer Jewish. Abraham Nordheimer, who later moved to Toronto and cut his ties with the Jewish community, was the proprietor of a piano factory.

When Queen's — one of Canada's most preeminent universities — expanded in the 1960s and 1970s, Jewish academics came to Kingston. As a result, "the community lost its homogeneity," says Meyer.

By Gerald Tulchinsky's estimation, 40 to 50 Jewish professors are employed by Queen's today. Tulchinsky, a specialist in economic history, was one of the first arrivals, having begun his career at Queen's in 1966.

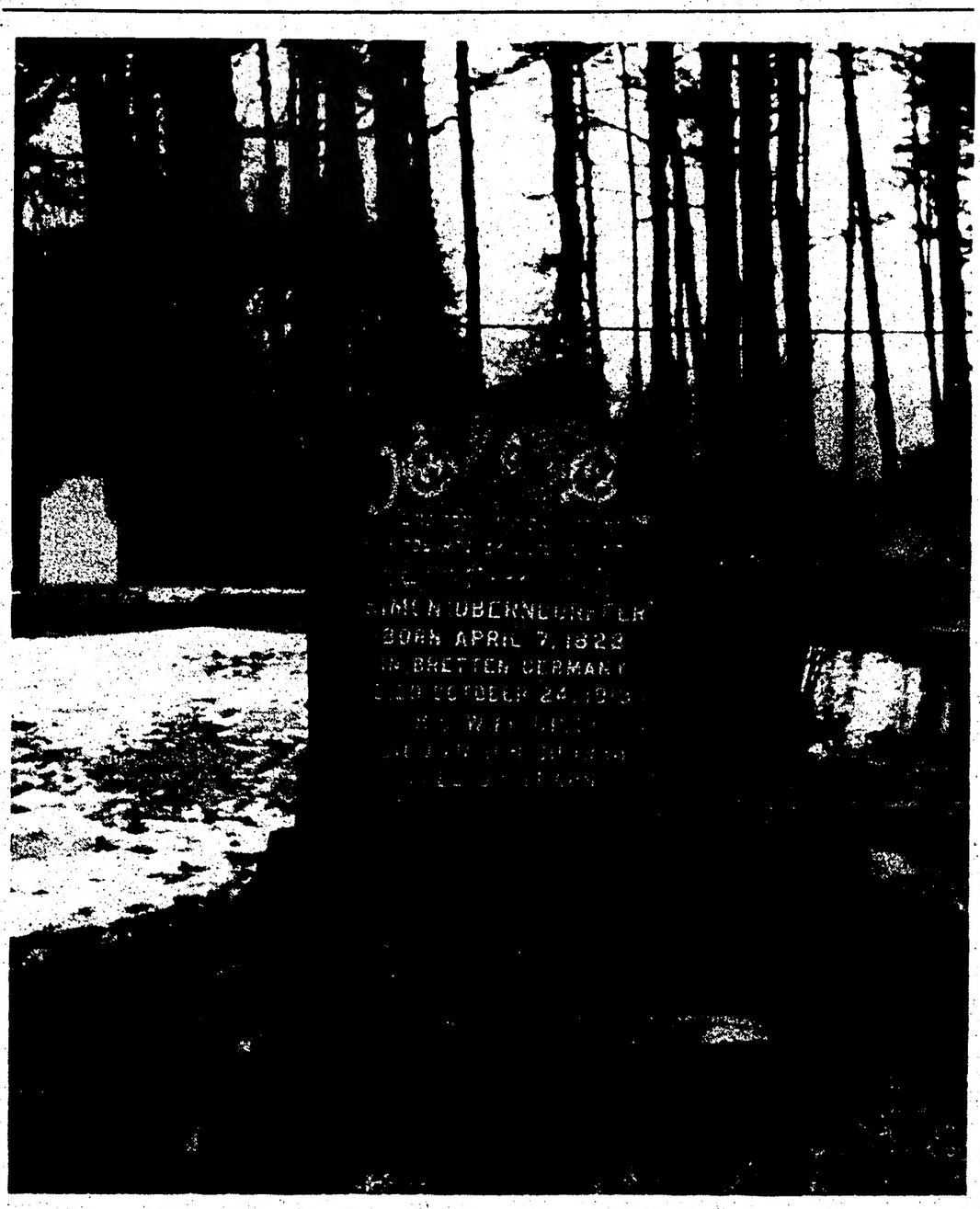
But Kingston's federal civil service, hospitals, military establishment and industry have also drawn newcomers. "With all its facilities, Kingston is a small big city," explains Meyer, an adjunct professor of sociology at Queen's. "And so its population is unlikely to decline."

According to Meyer, a native of Berlin, Kingston's Jewish community has grown consistently since the beginning. Her statistics indicate that five identifiable Jews lived here in 1861, 303 in 1922, 390 in 1961 and 715 in 1971. She has no hard-and-fast figures for the post-1971 period. But by common consent, Kingston is said to be home to more than 200 Jewish families, with a population estimated to be in excess of 1,000.

The families with the deepest roots include the Abramskys, the Robinsons, the Cohens, the Kovens, the Kizells and the Springers. One of its most illustrious sons was the late Samuel Zacks, a philanthropist and art collector.

Approximately 140 families belong to Beth Israel Congregation and 50 to Iyr Ha-Melech. A fairly sizeable number of Jews remain unaffiliated. In Meyer's judgment, about 50 percent of all Jewish families were unaffiliated as of 1983.

According to Meyer, the relationship between Jews and Christians has generally been cordial. In 1908, when the community ran short of funds to build the first Beth Israel at the corner of Queen and Montreal, Christian residents came to their aid with a sum that represented one-fifth of the cost of the building.



Grave of Simon Oberndorffer, a Kingston pioneer. (Sheldon Kirshner photo]

A view of Beth Israel Congregation [Sheldon Kirshner photo].

Nevertheless, Jews in Kingston, as elsewhere in Canada, have had to contend with anti-Semitism. Queen's did not hire its first fulltime Jewish professor until 1938. Until about the end of World War II, Jews were denied access to the professions. Before the mid-1960s, the local golf club and yacht club were closed to Jews.

Recently, Beth Israel's cemetery was vandalized, but Rabbi Marvin Feigenbaum attributes the incident to a "juvenile prank," not to anti-Semitism.

Today, Jews are well integrated into the general community, says Marsha Sugarman, a Talmud Torah teacher and a board member of Beth Israel. By way of illustration, Sugarman cites Katharine Manley's leadership of the United Way's 1991/1992 campaign.

Though relatively modest in size, the community is exceedingly well organized. There is a B'nai B'rith lodge as well as a Hadassah chapter, and the United Israel Appeal is widely supported. A local resident, Merle Koven, gave women's rights a considerable boost in 1982 when she was appointed president of Beth Israel — supposedly the first woman in North America to lead an Orthodox synagogue.

Residents who rigorously observe the laws of kashruth find little solace here because Kingston has no kosher butcher or bakery. "If I don't plan ahead, I'm stuck," says Harriet Feigenbaum, the wife of Rabbi Marvin Feigenbaum. "You have to work harder at being a Jew in a smaller town."

Kosher products are imported, usually from Stroli's and Richman's Bakery in Toronto and from United Kosher Meat Market in Ottawa. However, the Loblaw store at the Cataraqui Town Centre carrties a line of kosher food.

Sugarman does not believe that Kingston would really be able to support a kosher general store, but Rabbi Feigenbaum begs to differ. "So if someone wants to start a good business, it could work in Kingston."

Since the arrival of Jews in Kingston, the merchant class has provided the community with a sense of stability, since fathers can pass on their business to their sons.

But younger people lacking this option often have no choice but to leave Kingston, thereby diminishing its vitality.

"Virtually the only ones who'll stay are the sons and daughters of people who own a substantial business," says Tolchinsky. His children have moved out, as have others seeking new opportunities in larger cities.

"It's disheartening," confesses Tolchinsky's wife, Ruth. But she understands the underlying reasons for the flight.

"Younger Jews would like to remain in Kingston," says Meyer, but the labor market isn't big enough to absorb them."

Sugarman hastens to add that the community has always been buttressed by new arrivals. "We lose some, we win some."

Lag b'Omer a reminder of two rabbinical scholars

By
RABBI AARON LEVINE

Last year I wrote about the various laws and customs of the actual day of Lag b'Omer. This year I would like to relate two of the main happenings of Lag b'Omer to the larger theme of the Omer days in general.

Two of the main reasons that Lag b'Omer is celebrated are: one, it was on this day, the thirty-third day of the Omer (the 18th day of the month of Iyar), that the plague which killed Rabbi Akivah's students ceased; two, it is the yahrzeit of the great tannah and kabbalist, Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai, the author of the Zohar, a student of Rabbi Akivah. Both of these great men showed the utmost dedication and sacrifice for the study of torah.

Rabbi Akivah endangered his very life to continue to learn and teach Torah. When questioned how he could do this, he responded with his famous parable.

"A fox was walking on the banks of a river, and noticed how the fish were darting to and fro, frantically trying to escape the nets of the fishermen that were set up to trap them.

"Why don't you come up here on the shore where you will be safe from the fishermen's nets?" asked the cunning fox to the fish. The clever fish responded: "If we are not safe here in our natural habitat, in water, which is our very life-line, how much more so would we be in danger were we to leave the water and come up upon the shore?"

"So it is with us," said Rabbi Akivah. "Torah is our life-line; without it we cannot survive as a Jewish people. If I am not safe when immersed in the waters of Torah, how safe would I be were I to abandon Torah?"

On Yom Kippur we read the heart-rending account of the death of the ten martyrs; Rabbi Akivah was one of them. His tormentors combed his flesh with iron combs, and when they reached the spot upon which he wore his tefillin, he cried out the Shema Yisrael. His students asked: "Rebbe, even now you think only of God?" He responded, "My whole life I have been waiting to fulfil the verse that one should love God with his whole soul (bochol nafshecha), now that the opportunity has finally arrived, should I not fulfil it?"

Rabbi Shimon was also in danger from the Roman ban on Torah study. For thirteen years he and his son, Rabbi Elazar, hid in a cave and continued their Torah study. Most of that time they sat immersed in sand, and suffered physically. Miraculously, a carob tree and a spring were provided for them to keep them alive. (Hence the custom of eating "boxer" carobs on Lag b'Omer.) It was Rabbi Shimon who taught that there are three crowns, the crown of Torah, of Priesthood, and of Royalty. Torah being the first, and the crown of a "good name" being indispensible for all three.

What has all this to do with the Omer days? It is interesting to note that our seasonal mitzvahs range from one to nine days. Yom Kippur for example, is celebrated for one day; Rosh Hashanah, for two days; Pesach for eight days; and Sukkot for nine. We are now in the midst of a unique seasonal mitzvah that lasts for 49 days. Why so long, and why and how does counting the days of the Omer link two of the three major festivals, Pesach and Shavuot?

The 13th century scholar, Rabbi Aaron of Barcelona, the author of the *Chinuch*, provides the following reason for the mitzvah of counting the Omer:

". . . To know that the very purpose for Israel's exixstence is for Torah. It was for Torah that Heaven and Earth were created . . . This is the main reason why we were redeemed from Egypt, to accept the Torah and fulfil it...This is the ultimate good, and a far more important factor than freedom from slavery . . . Because of this . . . we are required to count . . . to demonstrate our great desire for this great day [of receiving the Torah]. For counting the days to a specific time indicates our longing and yearning for the arrival of that specific time . . ."

What the *Chinuch* is saying is the following. Hashem created the world for one purpose only, the Torah, and klal Yisrael's very existence is based only on their acceptance of that Torah. True, we celebrate Pesach to thank Hashem for the miracles that resulted in our physical freedom. But physical freedom alone is not the goal of am Yisrael. In our history we have unfortunately witnessed the results of nations who have physical freedom without Torah.

The goal of the nation of God is to attain the far more important *spiritual* freedom; freedom of the mind, the heart, and the soul. One can be physically free of others, yet remain enslaved to himself, to his yetzer horah, his evil inclination. And Hashem has told us that the only way to free ourselves from the yetzer horah is to study and observe Torah. "I have created the yetzer horah, I have created Torah as its antidote."

Torah elevates us and enobles us by bringing into our lives goodness and kindness, morality and sanctity, purpose and meaning, in ways that are unmatched and unparalleled by any nation or religion. Is it any wonder that the Torah is called "the Almighty's priceless treasure?"

Our Jewish holidays are not simply nostalgic reminders of past events. When we shall soon, b'ezrat Hashem, celebrate Shavuot, the Time of the Giving of the Torah, we shall not merely be commemorating the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai 3,304 years ago. Each year we experience a new kabbalat haTorah. Each member of Klal Yisrael, every man, woman, and child, according to his or her own level, will receive anew Hashem's holy Torah.

But Torah doesn't automatically become part of our being. There's no magic way that it is poured into our minds, hearts, and souls. It takes a sincere desire to embrace it; it takes a serious effort to study it; it takes careful preparation and planning to rid ourselves of the materialism that offers a thousand obstacles and distractions to a Torah life. It takes 49 days to learn that the purpose of physical freedom is spiritual freedom. And to attain this, we must ascend the spiritual ladder, day by day, rung by rung. It takes 49 days to demonstrate our longing and yearning for the Divine blessings and happiness that Torah can bring.

Let the day of Lag b'Omer remind us of the two great men associated with it. Let us learn the lessons of the Omer period in general. Let us utilize the days that are left to Shavuot, not only by counting the days, but by making our days count, in very spiritual ways. In this manner we will ensure our successful preparation for that momentous and historic event, Hashem's Revelation and Giving of the Torah at Sinai.

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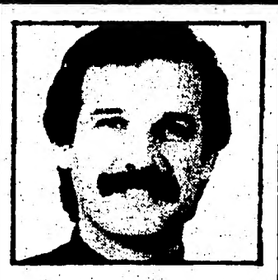

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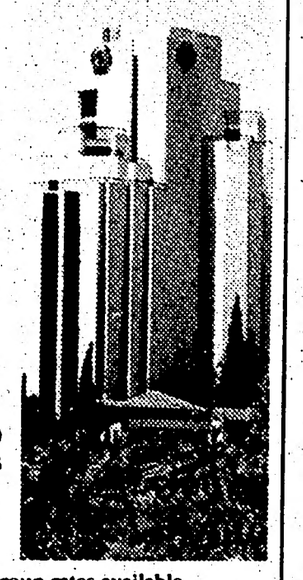

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Nazi investigations to continue

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Although March 1994 is a target date by which the federal government hopes to finish its investigation of current suspected war criminals in Canada, the door will not slam shut on the possibility of prosecutions after that date.

"It is not an absolute deadline," a spokesman for Justice Minister Kim Campbell told *The CJN*.

Campbell gave the target date to reporters following her appearance before the Commons Justice Committee May 12.

"We trust that you share our view that alleged Nazi war criminals living in Canada must face justice regardless of when evidence of their heinous crimes is discovered," Frank Dimant, executive vice-president of B'nai Brith Canada, said in a letter to the minister May 14.

"I don't take issue with what the minister said," commented Milton Harris, chairman of the war crimes committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress. "I think what she was trying to say was that she is putting pressure on her department to complete the investigation of current suspects by that date. I don't see any problem with that."

Campbell told the committee that she has directed more resources to the war crimes unit of her department than the treasury board had previously alloted. "This means more people and more money," the minister's spokesman said. However, he said the amount of money involved in the increase and the number of extra personnel are confidential and will not be released.

The matter was raised by Robert Kaplan, the former Liberal justice minister, who asked Campbell how far along her department is in the prosecution of 45 suspects identified by a former head of the war crimes unit.

The minister told reporters that the figure of "45" was "highly inaccurate" but she firmly refused to give the right number.

Campbell said she recognized "that the biological clock is ticking," and that the department must speed up its investigations.

In his letter, Dimant called for a reevaluation of Canada's current efforts on war criminals and for an expansion of remedies of denaturalization, deportation and extradition.

But in her scrum with reporters, the minister said the option of denaturalization (revoking citizenship) is hampered by a lack of data in the immigration department.

Only three prosecutions of war criminals have been underaken by the government, one leading eventually to an acquittal, and in two others the cases failed before the trials ended. The government was successful in revoking the citizenship of convicted Nazi collaborator Jacob Luitjens but he is fighting the deportation order in the court.

Campbell said she is regularly giving approval to members of the war crimes unit to travel to central and eastern Europe in search of evidence. Peter Kremer, head of the unit, is presently in Yugoslavia conducting an investigation.

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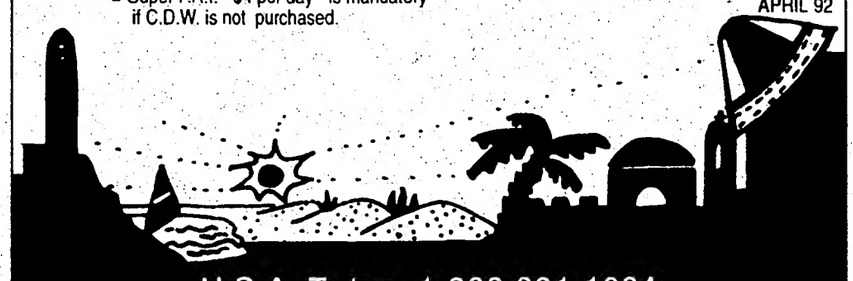

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ביז דעם חורבן איראָפּע, בעת דער צווייטער וועלט־מלחמה, האָט די יידישע שפראַך און איר קולטור גענאַט אַ סאָליד באַזע אין פוילן, סאָוועט־רוסלאַנד און אין אַנדערע לענדער פון מזרח־אייראָפּע. די פאָלקס־קולטור אין יידיש האָט זיך דעמאָלט געקאָנט גרויסן מיט איר רייכער ליטעראַטור, פרעסע, טעאַטער און שול־וועזן, וואָס זיינען געווען פֿייאיק צו פאַרצאַמען דעם פּראָצעס פון אַסימילאַציע, וואָס האָט זיך אויך דאָרטן אָנגעהויבן. די יידישע טאָג־פרעסע און זשורנאַלן האָבן דערנענטערט די יונגע דורות צו די שאַפונגען פון די קלאַסיקערס פון דער יידישער ליטעראַטור וויי אויך באַקענט זיי מיט דער נייער פלעיאַדע פון יידישע פּראָזע־שרייבער, פּאָעטן און עסייאיסטן, ווי: שלום אַש, יוסף אָפּאַטאָשו, יעקב גלאַטשטיין, חיים גראַדע און פיל אַנדערע. אַרום פערצן מיליאָן יידן האָבן דעמאָלט געריידט יידיש און אַ היפשער טייל פון זיי זיינען געווען לייענער פון יידישע ביכער און צייטונגען, באַזוכער פון יידישן טעאַטער און תלמידים פון יידישע שולעס.

אַזוי איז געווען ביזן יאָר 1939, ווען די היטלעריש האָרדעס האָבן זיך גענומען אויס־ראָטן דאָס יידישע פאָלק אין אייראָפּע פון קליין ביז גרויס. אויף אַן אַנדער אופן, אָבער מיט נישט וויניקער אכזריות, איז אָנגעגאַנגען די סטאַלינישע פאַרניכטונג פון דער יידישער קולטור און אירע בויער און שאַפער אין ראַטן־פאַרבאַנד. נאָך דער באַפרייאונג זיינען געבליבן בלויז הייפעלעך און צעשלאָגענע רעשטלעך פון די אַלע יישובים אין מזרח און מערב־אייראָפּע, וואָס ראַנגלען זיך ביז היינט צו טאָג מיט דער אָפּהענטיקייט, ייאוש און זעלבסט־פאַרלייקע־נונג, וואָס באַדראָען זייער וויטערדיקן קיום.

מוז מען זיך טרייסטן, וואָס טויזנטער און מיליאָנען יידן פון רוסלאַנד, פוילן, רומעניע און אַנדערע מקומות האָבן באַווייזן נאָך פאַר דער ערשטער וועלט־מלחמה אויסצוווּאַנדערן מעבר־לים קיין צפון און דרום־אַמעריקע, קאַנאַדע און אויסטראַליע און ארץ־ישראל, וווּ זיי האָבן געהאַט די מעגלעכקייט צוריק אויפצוריכטן זייער יחידיש און בציבורדיק לעבן און וויטער שפינען דעם גאָלדענעם פאָדעם פון יידיש־שאַפונג אין מזרח־אייראָפּע. אין די אַלע לענדער האָבן יידישע פאָלקסמענטשן, שרייבערס און קולטור־טוערס אויפגעבויט אינסטיטוציעס, צייטונגען און פאַרלאַגן, שולעס און טעאַטערן, וואָס טייל פון זיי עקזיסטירן נאָך ביז היינט.

כדי צו קאָאָרדינירן אָט די אַלע באַמיאונגען און טעטיקייטן אויפן געביט פון יידיש, איז געשאַפן געוואָרן דער וועלט־ראַט פאַר יידיש, וואָס זיין זיצאָרט איז אין מדינת ישראל מיט אָפּטיילן אין די פאַראייניקטע שטאַטן, קאַנאַדע, ארגענטינע, פראַנקרייך און אַנדערע לענדער. ביי דער סעסיע פון וועלט־ראַט, אין מאי, 1985 אין תל־אביב, זיינען געווען פאַרטרעטער פון פופצן לענדער.

אויף דער קאָנפערענץ האָבן אָנטייל גענומען אַ צאָל אָנגעזעענע פערזענלעכקייטן, בראש מיטן פרעזידענט פון דער מדינה, חיים הערצאָג, וואָס האָט באַגריסט דעם וועלט־ראַט אין אַ ריינעם פליסיקן יידיש. צווישן די אַנדערע באַגריסער זיינען געווען שלמה לַהַט, מעיאָר פון תל־אביב, און פּראָפעסאָר אפרים אורבאַך, פאָרזיצער פון דער וויסנשאַפט־אַקאַדעמיע אין ישראל.

די לעצטע סעסיע פון וועלט־ראַט פאַר יידיש איז אָפּגעהאַלטן געוואָרן מיט אַ יאָר צוריק אין מאָסקווע. אָט דער צוניפקום איז געווען אַ היס־טאָרישער דערמיט וואָס ער האָט סימבאָליזירט. דעם סוף פון דער זיבעציק־יאָריקער איזאָלאַציע פון די יידן אין די לענדער פון געוועזענעם סאָוועטן־פאַרבאַנד. די קאָנפערענץ האָט פעסט־געשטעלט, אַז די יידן וואָס וועלן דאָרטן פאַרבלייבן דאַרפן געשטאַרקט און געמוטיקט ווערן אין זייערע אָנשטרענגען צוריקצושטעלן דאָס יידישע קולטור־לעבן אויף די ערטער וווּ זיי וווינען. אָט די בריידערלעכע הילף דאַרף זיין איינע פון די וויכטיקסטע אויפגאַבן פון וועלט־ראַט און זיינע אָפּטיילן איבער דער וועלט.

Europe recognizes Yiddish language

LONDON, England —

Yiddish has been recognized as one of the languages of European culture. The European Commission, the executive of the European Community, has awarded the Department of Hebrew and Jewish Studies at University College London a grant of 8,000 pounds to promote the study of Yiddish. This is the first time the European Community has supported Yiddish Studies.

University College London, the first place in England to have a chair in Jewish Studies, awarded the first doctorate in Yiddish in Britain in 1982 and has been offering Yiddish classes on a regular basis since 1989. The grant will help to expand the program in Yiddish language at University College London into a complete range of courses in Yiddish language, literature and linguistics at all levels. This August, University College London will be inaugurating the first part of the expansion of its Yiddish program by launching an annual summer course in Yiddish language and culture.

The development at University College London is part of a world-wide resurgence of the interest in Yiddish. Yiddish was thought to be a dying language, but many people have "rediscovered" it through Yiddish songs and literature.

Yiddish is the 1,000-year language of Ashkenazi Jewry (the Jews from Northern and Eastern Europe). In its heyday in the 17th century it was spoken from Amsterdam in the west to Odessa in the east, from Germany and Poland in the north to Northern Italy and the Balkans in the south. From the 18th century onwards Jews in Western Europe adopted the language of their host countries, but Yiddish survived there until well into the 20th century. Even today, Yiddish speakers number between three and four million.

Further information, contact Prof. M. J. Geller of the department of Hebrew and Jewish Studies, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1E 5BT. Tel 071-380 7171. Fax 071-387-8057.

Name Game

There is a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years. Mr. Catzman reports on his research in The CJN.

COLT

Sari Colt, of Toronto, seeks information about her family name.

She provides inadequate clues — that the family came from Russia and that the name was not changed very much.

My first conjecture was that the name was probably spelled with a "K" and not a "C." My next assumption was that it was an abbreviation of a polysyllabic and that it probably represented the head with a long tail cut off.

At that point, I had to give up further speculation because I was not told in what part of Russia her ancestors lived. If it was Lithuania, I would have guessed Koltiniani. If it was the Ukraine, I would have chosen Koltow.

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WALLACH

I attributed a number of sources for the surname Wallach, but was guilty of a significant omission.

I am indebted to Dr. Alice Neuberg, of Montreal, for drawing my attention and that of my readers to the fact that Wallach in German meant a horse and that the bearer of this surname who brought honor to it was the late Dr. Moshe Wallach, the founder of the Shaare Zedek.

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Israeli report critical of Sharon's housing ministry

JERUSALEM —
A report scathingly critical of Ariel Sharon's Housing Ministry threatened to explode into a major scandal for Likud less than two months before the elections.

Accusations of corruption, maladministration and professional incompetence by State Comptroller Miriam Ben-Porat triggered demands for Sharon to resign.

Ben-Porat, a former member of the High Court of Justice, has asked Attorney General Yosef Harish to consider criminal prosecution in three areas related to the Housing Ministry's activities.

While Sharon did not specifically deny the comptroller's report, he said he put a halt to improper practices whenever they were brought to his attention. If officials and directors of government companies are found to have been at fault, they will have to "bear their responsibility," he told reporters.

The comptroller, the state's official watchdog, traditionally exercises broad autonomy and is non-partisan.

Ben-Porat said while the government's crash program to provide homes for immigrants was praiseworthy in principle, it spawned administrative malpractice.

She observed that the ministry's choice of contracts for some projects was suspect or made on ill-considered or arbitrary grounds.

Suspicions often were related to Likud political favoritism, the comptroller said.

She singled out Limor Livnat of Likud, whom she accused of using her Sharon-appointed, non-salaried position as head of the ministry's Housing Authority, to curry favor with members of the party's Central Committee.

Livnat said that she rejected the comptroller's findings and questioned her good faith.

Yediot Achronot's respected economics editor, Sever Ploltzker, said the charges against Sharon's ministry were the most serious he could recall in decades of comptroller's reports.

The report is a grave embarrassment to Likud, especially in light of the governing party's efforts to delay its publication until after the June 23 elections.

The comptroller also criticized the Housing Ministry's handling of the immigrants' needs on a professional basis.

Ben-Porat was sharply critical of the way the Housing Ministry imported caravans and mobile homes in large numbers.

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Los Angeles Jewish community assesses damage following riot

LOS ANGELES (JTA) —
A week after the riots that destroyed much of South Central Los Angeles, and with National Guardsmen still on patrol, the Jewish community seemed to be rediscovering a sense of shared fate with its multi-ethnic neighbors that most Jews have not felt since the civil rights campaigns of the 1960s.

Jews have stepped up their aid efforts to the riot torn sections. At the same time, rough estimates of the damage to Jewish-owned businesses indicate the losses were heavier than originally believed.

The Refugee Acculturation Program of the Jewish Federation Council found that 45 businesses owned by Iranian Jews and six owned by former Soviet Jews were burned or looted. These included electronics and furniture stores, pawn shops and dental offices.

Sources in the local Israeli community estimated that between 10 and 20 stores owned by Israelis were hit. They were mainly electronic appliances and retail clothing outlets.

Stories are circulating about how Israelis, armed with Uzis and shotguns, scared off would-be looters.

No one yet has toted up the losses suffered by American Jewish businessmen, but it seems likely the figure will be in the tens of millions of dollars, if not higher. Insurance companies will likely cover a major portion of the damage.

One of the victims was Richard Ginsberg, whose attitude and experience seem typical of Jews affected by the riots.

Ginsberg, a Jewish community leader long active in black-Jewish relations, held the men's clothing concession at the large Fedco discount store. On April 30, the first full day of rioting, looters cleaned him out to the tune of about 500 suits, 300 sport coats, 300 jackets and 8,000 slacks and jeans.

He was able to save one delivery truck, and two days later he stocked it with donated food and, with a rabbi at his side, drove to a black church in the inner city.

At latest count, 30 synagogues and campus Hillel centres were collecting clothing and food which were being delivered mainly to black churches for distribution.

Reform temples predominate in the aid drive, followed by Conservative congregations.

But even the Orthodox community, traditionally little involved with non-Jewish groups, is supporting a job-training and employment program in minority areas.

Mazon, a Jewish anti-hunger organization, is the community's co-ordinator to channel financial aid to relief programs in the black, Hispanic and Korean areas. So far, $35,000 has come in through donations averaging $85 apiece, said Mazon director Irving Cramer.

About 300,000 pounds of fresh produce have been delivered to a dozen churches through the efforts of philanthropist Mickey Weiss. But Jewish groups realize that material assistance, while an immediate need, may not be the most important response to the Los Angeles crisis.

The Anti-Defamation League has scheduled two seminars for public school teachers, as part of its long-standing prejudice-reducing training program, A World of Difference.

All segments of the Jewish community are represented in an emergency committee, which has appointed two task forces — one to connect with other ethnic groups, the other to evaluate the impact of the civic upheaval on the Jewish community.

Rabbi Harvey Fields, president of the Southern California Board of Rabbis, heads the "outside" committee. He reported that working ties have been established with black and Korean political, business and religious leaders. Relations with the Hispanic community is somewhat lagging, said Fields, because it lacks an organized central body.

Many anecdotes are making the rounds. One relates to the visit here of eight Ethiopian-born high school students from Israel. On the first evening of riots, the youngsters attended a seder with 100 black and Hispanic students from local public schools, who were instructed in Passover rituals and songs by Rabbi Fields.

When the seder ended, the bus driver for a group of Hispanic students had heard about the violence and instructed the youngsters to sit on the floor of the bus. He turned off the lights and drove off.

As the darkened bus crossed the violent city, the students, still full of the seder spirit, burst into a song they had just learned: *Dayenu* (Enough).

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Syrian Jews arrive

NEW YORK — Eight Syrian Jews arrived in New York Sunday, one of the largest groups to leave Syria since President Hafez Assad said he was easing travel restrictions on Syrian Jews.

"This was the first instance in which a family was reunited," said Seymour Reich, who heads the Task Force on Syrian Jewry of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. "We hope that there will be more, but in a regular fashion, not in a dribble."

Jewish leaders here are calling the arrival the most concrete sign to date that Assad will follow through on his promise to let Jews leave.

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Australian Jews angry

CANBERRA — The government's surprise decision to reinstate high-level contacts with the Palestine Liberation Organization has drawn expressions of incredulity and outrage from the Jewish community.

The announcement reversed a policy Australia adopted when the PLO supported Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait last year.

Jews were especially incensed that the foreign minister made the move with no prior communication.

Australian Jews were "incredulous" because "there has been no indication by the PLO over the last few months that they have moved toward moderation."

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Czech cemetery rebuilt

LIPNIK, Czechoslovakia — A historic Jewish cemetery destroyed by the Nazis in 1942 was rededicated here in the presence of Orthodox Jewish leaders from the United States who undertook its restoration and descendants of a famous Talmudic sage who is buried there.

Attention was focused on the tomb of Rabbi Boruch Teomim Frankel, the most famous of the 15 rabbis interred in the 425-year-old cemetery in Lipnik, a town in Moravia about 190 miles east of Prague.

Although there are records of Jewish habitation dating from 1540, there were only 220 Jews in the town when the Nazis occupied it. All were deported and only seven survived.

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McDonald's apologizes

WASHINGTON — McDonald's Corp. has apologized to the Anti-Defamation League on behalf of its Japanese partner's "stereotypical references" to Jews in recent public comments.

Den Fujita, the fast-food company's partner, wrote a book entitled *The Jewish Way of Doing Business*, which has sold more than one million copies.

He told *The New York Times* that business people in Osaka "are craftier than those from Tokyo because Jews settled in Osaka about 1,000 years ago."

When asked about the impact of his statements, Fujita replied that he does "not consider it insulting to characterize Jews purely as stereotypes."

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Snake bill shared

JERUSALEM — Whose viper is it anyway? That's the question a Bnei Brak rabbi had to decide recently after a local resident asked his neighbor to help pay for the capture of a poisonous snake.

A resident saw the viper in the communal courtyard of his apartment building and called a trapper. The service was expensive, and the man asked his neighbors to chip in. They refused, he asked a local rabbi to advise.

The rabbi ruled that all the residents in the man's apartment building and all those nearby had to share the cost. "Whoever was frightened by the presence of the snake and feared going outside must help pay the bill," he said. "The resident who paid did so voluntarily and saved them from danger."

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Teacher murdered

JERUSALEM — Four masked men shot dead a Palestinian teacher in an Unrwa preparatory school in front of his pupils, an Unrwa spokeswoman in Gaza said.

English teacher Abdul Maati el-Buheisi, 42, a father of six from Deir el Balah refugee camp, was struck down by one bullet fired from the entrance to his classroom in the camp. Military sources confirmed his death in Shifa Hospital in Gaza.

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Asian market grows

JERUSALEM — Some 15,000 tourists from Korea and about 10,000 from Japan are expected here this year, according to Tourism Ministry forecasts.

With the inauguration last month of El Al charter flights from Japan, the total number of visitors from the Far East is likely to reach 40,000.

Among the factors combining to open the Israeli market to Asian tourism are the Japanese, Koren and Chinese governments' more favorable attitudes towards Israel and the neutralization of the Arab boycott's effects, he said.

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A new look

JERUSALEM — The French army may have uniforms designed by Yves St. Laurent, but the Israeli army is on the eve of a fashion revolution of its own with the Logistics Branch's new collection.

The branch's textile department, part of the Maintenance Corps, is currently completing development of a new shirt it hopes will be distributed by next summer.

The shirt, made of a softer and smoother cotton fiber, is designed to gradually replace the heavier and often itch-provoking cotton/polyester garment the army now uses.

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Death penalty opposed

JERUSALEM — President Chaim Herzog cited both ancient Jewish law and words spoken by his late father, former chief rabbi Isaac Herzog, to determine that the death penalty should not be imposed by the State of Israel.

"When I recall the grave errors, known to everyone, which were made in this area in England, in New Zealand, in the United States, and in many other countries, one may appreciate the sharp vision, the compassion, and the mercy in our sources," said the president.

"We must be honest with ourselves and ask whether we, too, have not undergone a devaluation in our relation to these basic values of compassion and mercy. Does our society, with all its components, really consider compassion and mercy to be supremely humanistic fundamentals which should be expressed in deeds and not theory?"

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Delegates in border row

JERUSALEM — Palestinian delegation members Dr. Zakaria al-Agha and Abdel-Rahman Hamad said they were stopped by Israeli border guards from crossing into the Gaza Strip last week from Egypt after they refused to permit a search of personal baggage containing files on the delegation's talks in Washington and Cairo.

Al-Agha told *The Jerusalem Post* that border officials in civilian clothes at the Rafiah crossing point told them: "You may be delegates, but you are not dipomats and have to be treated like everyone else."

They waited for five hours at the crossing before returning to the Egyptian side of the border.

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Islamic leader to visit

JERUSALEM — A Saudi-backed Islamic leader is scheduled to arrive today from Cairo on what is being called an Islamic outreach to Judaism.

The visitor is Cairo-based Sheikh Ishak Idris Sakhouta, religious counsellor of the World Islamic League. The League is financed by Saudi Arabia and is the leading representative of the world's 800 million Moslems.

Sakhouta is scheduled to stay in Israel four days. He will visit Islamic holy sites and meet with Israeli rabbis before departing for Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

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Terror tactics used

ROSH HANIKRA — Hezbollah is using "terror tactics" to intimidate Shi'ite residents of the security zone in south Lebanon, while continuing operations against Israel and South Lebanon Army (SLA) targets in the zone. The *Jerusalem Post* has learned.

Hezbollah gunmen have attacked and killed several residents of the zone while they have been travelling in the north on business.

The bodies of two such residents, one a former SLA soldier and the other a local Amal leader, were returned to their families in the zone in the past two days.

The sources said the tactics were aimed at intimidating residents of the zone to try and prevent them cooperating with the SLA and the Israeli army, or to try and force them to help Hezbollah.

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Babylonian seal found

JERUSALEM — A 4,000-year-old Babyonian seal has been found in a 2,700-year-old burial tomb in Jerusalem, suggesting the existence of an antiquities collector in First Temple period Jerusalem.

The rare find was made outside Jaffa Gate and revealed by archeologist Ronnie Reich of the Antiquities Authority.

The artifact was unearthed in one of the numerous First Temple period burial tombs being excavated in the Mamilla district of Jerusalem. Reich termed the find "the biggest surprise in my life."

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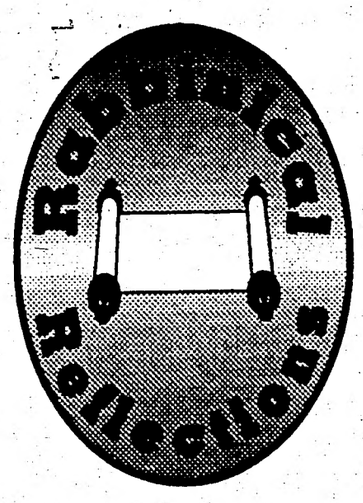

By
RABBI EDWARD ELKIN

Parashat Behar contains the commandment to observe a yovel, a jubilee, every 50 years when the land would lie fallow, property would revert to its original owners, and slaves would be set free.

This last provision is reflected in the following verse from the sedrah, which has become famous in North America for having been inscribed on the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia.

"You shall proclaim liberty throughout the land for all its inhabitants." (Lev. 25.10)

It's a beautiful image which comes to mind when reading this verse and those around it — It is Yom Kippur, the shofar is sounded, and an official proclamation of liberty is made.

And yet, commentators have asked a question about the verse which mandated this proclamation every 50 years. If the law is that all slaves are to go free in the jubilee year, then why does the verse command a proclamation of liberty for all the *inhabitants* of the land? Should not the verse have read, "You shall proclaim liberty throughout the land for all the *slaves*"? What does the proclamation of liberty during the jubilee year have to do with the inhabitants of the land who are not slaves?

The commentary Pnei Yehoshua suggests at least one answer to this question, and the answer given in this commentary is particularly relevant for our time.

"In a society where there is no freedom, even for a small portion of the inhabitants, all the inhabitants are considered enslaved. Slavery is a plague which afflicts both master and servant. That is why the Torah says, "You shall proclaim liberty for all its inhabitants. For by means of freeing the slaves all the inhabitants of the society become free."

We have all followed with horror the scenes of destruction in Los Angeles and other cities (including Toronto) following the Rodney King verdict. This violence may be seen as a reminder to us that as long as some in the society are not free, none of us is truly free. As was taught in the Pnei Yehoshua, we cannot remain forever insulated from the suffering and misery of others in the society. Their fate affects our fate. No, we cannot condone wanton violence. But we must reward ourselves after Los Angeles that society cannot truly progress until all of its inhabitants achieve freedom — political and economic.

This notion applies to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict as well. The fate of the two peoples who live in Eretz Yisrael is so intertwined that the Jewish society in Israel will never be truly free to develop and grow and meet the many challenges facing it unless the Arab society living in Israel feels that it, too, is free. Without condoning Palestinian tactics, we can recognize how the despair and anger of Palestinians precludes freedom for any of the inhabitants of the Land of Israel.

Recognizing the impact of our neighhbors' fate on our own does not necessarily imply any particular solutions to difficult problems. Many suggestions have been put forward for alleviating the enslaving cycle of poverty in which the underclass in North America suffers. Many proposals have been made for resolving the Palestinian issue. Some suggestions are associated with liberal political positions; others are associated with more conservative political positions. While study of the Jewish tradition can inform our choices in these areas, the tradition cannot be said to endorse automatically any one of these political stances.

However, the teaching found in Pnei Yehoshua does remind us not to fool ourselves: North America will not be free until her poorest citizens are freed of their poverty and despair. And Israeli society will not be free until the Palestinians are free to realize at least some of their aspirations.

This week we observe the minor festival of Lag b'Omer. Lag b'Omer marks a break in the mourning practices which have come to be associated with the period of the Omer between Pesach and Shavuot. Weddings and other celebrations may be held on Lag b'Omer, and it has become traditional for families to have a picnic or another kind of outing on that day. While the origins of the mourning practices during the Omer and their cessation on Lag b'Omer are rather obscure, most commonly they are linked to a plague suffered by Rabbi Akiva's disciples during the second century CE. On Lag b'Omer the plague ceased.

North American society is afflicted by the plagues of racism and poverty, leading to frustration and despair on the part of many of its inhabitants. Israel is afflicted by the plague of an unhappy and restive population in its midst. These plagues have not yet had their Lag b'Omer; they have not ceased.

They go on, and will continue to go on, until we realize that when individuals within the society suffer, the whole society suffers. When we realize that, we will have achieved a true jubilee.

Rabbi Edward Elkin is the assistant rabbi of Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom in Montreal.

Jewish Agency targetting youth

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

In an effort to bolster sagging aliyah from the former Soviet republics, the Jewish Agency has announced a new, youth-oriented strategy.

"We will now stress innovative programs for promoting aliyah among young adults and teen-agers," Simcha Dinitz, chairman of the agency's Executive, said after his recent trip to the region.

During the first four months of 1992, aliyah from the former Soviet republics has dropped an alarming 60 percent from the same period last year.

From Jan. 1 to April 30, a total of 20,079 Jews immigrated here from the republics, compared to 50,146 during the same period last year, according to figures compiled by the Soviet Jewry Research Bureau of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry in New York.

In April, a total of 5,629 people immigrated to Israel, including 4,696 from the Soviet successor states. This represents a 10 percent decrease in overall aliyah from March, when 6,274 olim came, among them 4,913 Soviets.

Total aliyah in April was only a third of the April 1991 total, while the number of olim from the former Soviet republics was just over a quarter of the 1991 figure.

In New York, the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society reported that 3,011 Jews from the former Soviet republics immigrated to the United States in April, bringing the total for the first seven months of the 1992 fiscal year to 26,184.

Experts agree that difficult economic conditions in Israel coupled with new property ownership laws in the former Soviet republics have led to the slowdown in aliyah.

Since the end of last year, when immigration statistics began their downward slide, aliyah officials have been scurrying for a solution.

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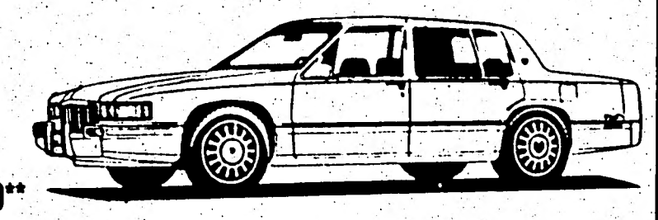

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COMMENTARY

Will Israel's politicians address the real issues?

By
YESHAYAHU ANUG

Likud's electoral campaign was launched in an expensive display of power. The 4,000 participants at the event were put on 175 buses, given a warming-up tour of new settlements and then brought to Menachem Begin's fresh grave on Mount of Olives.

Then, in the Convention Center in Jerusalem, the recorded images and voice of the late Prime Minister spoke majestically from many screens and finally, when Benni Begin, Menachem's gifted son, himself a central figure in the party, made his own entry, he got the stormiest ovation.

The Begin mystique had been fully mobilized for the occasion. Likud's achievements were lavishly displayed, the failures of its opponents duly ridiculed and Labor leader Rabin was unmasked as a true danger to the nation's future. Language was very harshly tuned to the taste of the broader masses, where Likud again hopes to find its loyalist support.

Ariel Sharon, in trouble because his housing ministry's abuses had been mercilessly attacked by state comptroller's annual report, fought back by exposing Labor's sins and past corruption. Likud had tried hard to postpone the publication of the report, but the comptroller, retired Justice Miriam Ben Porat, wouldn't have it. This iron lady, as she is called by her admirers and also by those whom she angers, can hardly be regarded as a political opponent of Likud.

Prime Minister Shamir made a passionate speech, promised to keep Erez Israel undivided, but refrained from attacking Rabin personally. He had his reasons.

The same evening, in Tel Aviv's Cinerama theatre, the newly founded Centre-Left Meretz, formed by the union of the Civil Rights Party, Shinui and Mapam, made its own debut. With their 10 Knesset seats they hope to attract many of Labor's disenchanted. But they do not challenge Rabin's leadership of the anti-Likud camp and even pledged to join Labor in the next administration. Yet Rabin, so they added, will have to govern according to their party's platform.

Yeshayahu Anug

Rejecting this unwanted embrace, Labor strategists were quick to tell the public that a vote for Meretz is a vote for Likud. This makes sense, because Labor's aim is to come out as the strongest party and be called by the president first to form a government. But Labor's overall strategy in this campaign is still inarticulate, hesitant and the messages are blurred. The party is a mosaic of diverging tendencies and must maintain its fragile unity. It centres the campaign on Rabin's image, who despite his personal record, is not eminently suitable to occupy central stage alone.

Rabin could be the victor only if Likud's record of 15 years of power will be a strong deterrent to many of its faithful. But as Likud holds all the instruments of power it has four more weeks to show what it can do to repatriate its doubters.

Great turbulence also in the religious camp. The Haredi parties, Agudas Israel and Degel Hatora, were ordered by their mentor, the 98-year-old Rabbi Shah from Bnei-Brak, to join hands. They did so reluctantly.

Still in the religious camp, the Chabad movement is waiting for their own ailing rabbi's instructions whom to give their support. During the last elections, they conducted an effective behind-the-scene campaign and had influenced the outcome.

Meanwhile, the National Religious Party (Mafdal), once an oasis of religious and political common-sense, has published its political manifesto, which sounds more extreme than Likud's own. Are they hoping for a blessing from Lubavich? Quite a problem for the Brooklyn strategists, whose meddling in internal Israeli politics irritates many Israelis of many denominations.

Likud is nervous and to minimize the impact of unpleasant reporting on the voter's peace of mind, the establishment tried — not successfully — to manipulate national TV's news programs. It is a brutal campaign, centred on mutual discreditation, not on the real issues at stake.

At the start, Likud hit harder. Then Labor sharpened its knives. But the two major parties are supermarkets of prescriptions for peace, security and economic prosperity, none of them very persuasive.

The many floating voters, amongst them the newcomers from Russia, will be only marginally affected by the fireworks of the campaign and make their emotional decision on election day. And tens of thousands of voters will waste their votes on parties which will not pass the now required 1.5 percent barrier. From this incredible melting-pot, our new government is to emerge.

Could politics in Israel be more honest and transparent? Where are they more constructive? Hardly anywhere in this deteriorating world which has lost its values, does not solve its problems and whose images of injustice and human suffering come to our screens from every corner of the globe.

No wonder, that to many voters, law and order here seem almost flawless, compared to what they see happening even in the United States and elsewhere.

Don't our own battles with the Palestinians look like mere skirmishes compared to the ferocious civil war in former Yugoslavia, in what once was the Soviet Union, not to speak of more distant places about whom nobody seems to care, because no cameras are around? But what has all this to do with our problems?

In it's 44 years of statehood, 17,418 Israelis were killed and 50,000 were wounded. Only a trusted leadership, if elected, can tell a disoriented public how difficult and painful but also how urgent it is, to try and stop further bloodshed.

The issues are very complex. They are about this country's responsibilities to its citizens, to its immigrants, to the Jewish people and they are about its real priorities.

Whether campaigning politicians will address the crucial subjects more courageously from now to election day will probably be the subject of the next two columns.

There is plenty of good news in this Jewish year

By
ARNOLD AGES

According to the Jewish calendar this is the year 5752 or TaShNav in the Hebrew reckoning. Using the first letters of the Hebrew to create words that symbolize the year it has been suggested that TaShNav be rendered "Tihiyeh Sh'nat Nahat U-Veranka" — "Let this be a year of pleasantness and blessing."

There is much that is pleasant to record since the Jewish New Year was ushered in last fall. The "evil empire" and its prison archipelagos in Russia have collapsed. Former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, wonder of wonders, will be feted in May at a gala dinner in New York City sponsored by Yeshiva University.

Soviet Jews in record numbers have come to Israel and despite many problems in absorption, are being settled all over the country. Israel's GNP, despite the economic malaise worldwide, is actually increasing more strongly than many western democracies.

There is "Nahat" — pleasure to be derived from the peace talks between Israel and the Arabs which began shortly after the New Year and which, despite interruptions and difficulties, promote the possibility of a peaceful resolution to four decades of bitter conflict.

The peace process may be accelerated by some slight indications of democratization in the Arab world. Jordan has experimented with a form of parliamentary democracy and Saudi Arabia has taken some modest steps in the same direction. It will be a while before the Saudis establish an embassy in Jerusalem or a yeshivah is opened in Ryadh, but who knows?

Arnold Ages

Even nature seems to have cooperated, at least in Israel, by furnishing water — sometimes in the form of snow and other inclemencies — to a country whose underground water tables had become dangerously low because of the demands of a burgeoning population for water for personal and industrial purposes.

With regard to 5752 as a year of blessings — one can cite the explosion of an interest spirituality in the Jewish world as evidence of this phenomenon. Its most obvious manifestation is the campaign being carried on by members of a much beloved and respected Chassidic group to sensitize Jews to Messianic consciousness.

Naturally this move has prompted some controversy. The phenomenon of false Messiahs in Jewish history has made Judaism very wary of speculating on or calculating the arrival of the Messianic era. At least one authoritative Jewish teacher, Maimonides, forbids the practice.

One scholar has pointed out, moreover, that excessive preoccupation with Messianic concerns involves a kind of magical thinking which can detract from the concrete issues of this world and even diminish the observance of the mitzvot.

Still, the messianic idea is part of Judaism's belief system and while Maimonides was opposed to speculation as to time and date, he included belief in the Messiah as one of his 13 principles of faith. That belief has been echoed by the faithful ever since.

What makes the current concentration on Messianic speculation different from past manifestations of the same thing is that it usually occurred during periods when Jews were undergoing terrible persecutions and oppression. In our own epoch the condition of Jews is relatively secure.

However, it is not only in the marketplace, in newspapers and on highway billboards (in Montreal) that the merit of Messianic tidings is being advertised for all to see. This year seems to have been an especially fruitful one in which we have been blessed by a selection of books dealing with Jewish mysticism, Kabbalah and Messianism.

They include reprints of Carlo Suares' *The Cipher of Genesis* (Weiser), S. L. MacGregor Mather's *The Kabbalah Unveiled* (Penguin), Herbert Weiner's *9 1/2 Mystics: The Kabbala Today* (Macmillan), and, Raphael Patai's *The Hebrew Goddess* (Wayne State).

One of the paradoxical aspects about these books is that they expose to a potentially vast audience ideas that were supposed to be the preserve of a small number of cognoscenti.

The only reason these books have been republished (Mather's book appeared originally in 1897) is the perception that in this age of acute spirituality the public is ready for studies of the esoteric doctrine of the Kabbalists and mystics. Many of those doctrines naturally deal directly or indirectly with Messianic ideas.

The most important of the books which have appeared this year, however, is Moshe Idel's *Kabbalah: New Perspectives* (Yale), a formidable scholarly treatise in which the author locates Messianic impulses in medieval and Renaissance Judaism within psychological, historical and geographical frameworks.

All Jews are 'captive to the past' in some way

By
A. M. CLARFIELD

It all started when my wife and I were on our honeymoon.

That night, it was raining hard and we were bored and uncomfortable in our Paris flea-bag hotel. It was 9 p.m. and we started flipping through the phone book looking for long-lost Clarfields. From previous research we knew that the spelling of my name was an anglicization of the German/Yiddish "Klarfield".

It didn't take long before we found what we were looking for, in fact, the only likely candidate in Paris, an "Israel Klarfeld." My wife, who speaks fluent French, took the phone and explained that we were Canadian Jews and were wondering if we might be related to the Paris Klarfelds.

Where did my grandfather come from, Mr. Klarfeld asked. Opole, in Poland, my wife informed him. After giving out this bit of information, she began to listen intently and started nodding quickly and excitedly. My wife told him that we'd be over as soon as we could grab a cab.

On our way downstairs, my wife explained that Israel thought we probably were family. His father was also from Opole and as we were later to figure out, was probably my grandfather's first cousin.

When we arrived, Israel Klarfeld greeted us warmly and offered tea. He began to tell interested stories about my grandfather's hometown. We all laughed and joked. He and I were thrilled to have found each other.

The information we gleaned was quite astounding. First of all, there were Klarfelds in the state of Israel — Israel's cousins, with one left alive, namely an Avram Klarfeld. As my own first name is also Avram, I was moved to learn that I had a live, heretofore long-lost namesake living in Tel Aviv.

The coincidence continued. My wife's last name is "Paltiel," a relatively uncommon Biblical Hebrew name meaning "my refuge in God." It can be used as a first name but is more often to be found as a surname. Although my wife kept her own name after we married, she was in a sense a "Paltiel-Clarfield." It turned out that my Israeli namesake Avram had a brother who had recently died. His name? You guessed it — "Paltiel Klarfeld."

Israel had been born in Poland, but as a young man, fearing the rising anti-Semitism there, decided to move to Paris. Here Israel prospered, founded a knitwear factory, raised a family and acquired French citizenship. Unfortunately, after the war began, his French neighbors didn't agree with his civil status and collaborated with the Nazis in order to "repatriate" him (along with many other French Jews) back to Poland. Auschwitz was his destination.

As his story unfolded, my cousin's demeanour slowly began to change. From a friendly, chatty cadence, his voice became more highly pitched and increasingly strident. He began to stare and to talk more quickly. He was not to be interrupted.

At this point in the story, a young man, presumably Israel's son came into the flat. We didn't talk but smiled at each other, as his father, robot-like, rattled on.

I asked Israel how he had survived the death camps.

"You see, when we reached the camp, I quickly saw that the Nazis meant to kill us all, but they did temporarily spare those of us who were 'useful' to them. One day a German officer came into our barracks and said that the camp officials wanted to form a Jewish orchestra and those with talent would be saved. Who could play an instrument or sing?

"I knew that this was my only chance. I marched up to him and said that I could whistle," said Israel.

" 'Whistle?' he demanded.

"Whistle," Israel insisted, "like a bird."

" 'Whistle!' the Nazi ordered. 'Whistle like a bird!' "

At that point, my cousin, the tears of his 40-year-old terror and humiliation streaming down his cheeks, began to whistle. It was the eeriest sound I have ever heard. Indeed, he did whistle like a bird — a terrified tortured bird. But as we sat in his Paris flat, he couldn't stop. It was clear that for those transcendant moments, my cousin was transported back to Auschwitz. I tried feebly to tell him to stop, but my heart wasn't in it.

Finally, his son, with a mixture of pain, affection and embarrassment interrupted his father with a touch on the shoulder. "Papa, ca suffit! Ca suffit!" He also looked as if he was about to cry. Israel abruptly stopped, as quickly as he had begun. By now my cousin was emotionally spent and so too were we.

He survived Auschwitz, in part due to his uncanny ability to whistle. He lost his wife and two children, was liberated, moved back to Paris and made a new life. The son we met was by his second wife.

Had my own grandparents, unlike the French side of our family, not left Poland for Canada, my own father might have been born in Europe and not survived as did his cousin. By extension, I would not be here today to write this piece. All Jews, whether they like it or not, are at least part "captive to the past."

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Nazi prosecutions

According to statements made recently by Justice Minister Kim Campbell, Canada is not relaxing its efforts to bring Nazi war criminals to justice.

In responses to journalists' queries outside the Commons and to questions raised in the Standing Committee On Justice and the Solicitor General, Attorney General Campbell has noted that her department has not only allocated additional people to staff the war crimes unit but has been authorizing travel approval for investigations being carried out in eastern Europe.

The minister, moreover, has recognized an "actuarial" necessity for pushing ahead with investigations because of the age of many of the witnesses and their reluctance to travel to Canada to testify. (Canadian courts have refused videotaped depositions as evidence in war crimes trials.)

Campbell noted, in replying to a query from MP Robert Kaplan, that the Department of Justice is pursuing a two track approach to suspected Nazi war criminals — prosecution under the war crimes statute and denaturalization procedures.

The justice minister also observed that Canada is now actively working with former communist regimes in eastern Europe in the pursuit of war crimes suspects. It is the laws of evidence and not the reluctance of the government, she claims, that have slowed down the government's efforts.

In a recent news conference Ms. Campbell also referred to the year 1994, not as a cut-off date for her department's activities, but as a target point for assembling and completing the dossiers needed for prosecuting alleged Nazi war criminals.

With all this activity, good will and dedication it seems strange that Canada has only brought charges against three individuals, two for war crimes and one under the denaturalization procedure. One would have thought, moreover, that the collapse of communism in eastern Europe, would have facilitated the gathering of relevant information.

In her remarks to the press and before the Standing Committee on Justice, Kim Campbell did offer a comment with which many, however, will agree — that the investigations of Nazi war criminals should have begun 30 or 40 years ago.

There is little doubt that that dilatory stance of liberal governments from Louis St. Laurent through Pierre Trudeau and their refusal to initiate vigorous investigations of Nazi war criminals have contributed to the current difficulties.

The current government in Ottawa, cannot, however, attribute all problems to previous ones. Since the early 1980s when the conservatives made prosecution of Nazi criminals part of their parliamentary agenda, they have made strides in the right direction but the rhythm of their action has not always kept pace with the promise of their advocacy.

Why has Kim Campbell targeted 1944 as the co-ordinating date for prosecuting those responsible for unspeakable crimes. What is wrong with 1992?

French injustice

French Jews are justifiably disturbed by the recent decision of an appellate court not to send a former Vichy officer, Paul Touvier (head of the pro-Nazi milice) to trial.

The three-judge panel not only declined to recommend a trial for Touvier, but effectively white-washed the horrendous anti-Semitic record of the regime of Marshall Pétain.

In handing down its decision, the court asserted that even in those instances where Touvier had admitted participation in acts which led to the execution of seven Jewish hostages in 1944, he could not be charged with a crime against humanity.

In an example of legal sophistry not encouraged since the Dreyfus affair, the French court said that Vichy's policy of collaboration was "pragmatic and non ideological" and did not conform to the definition of a crime against humanity since the latter involved "inhuman acts of persecutions committed systematically in the name of a state practicing a policy of ideological hegemony."

Therefore, Vichy officials were not capable of carrying out crimes against humanity.

The court lent this interpretation to the record of the criminal Vichy regime even though there is copious uncontested evidence that, starting in 1940, it enacted a series of laws segregating Jews, stamping their passports with the word "Jew," confiscating their possessions and removing them from their jobs.

Public reaction in France has already moved that country's attorney general to indicate that his office would appeal the appellate court's ruling to France's highest tribunal, the Cour de Cassation. Unfortunately, this is a process which could take two to three years.

In the meantime, the honor of France has been ill served and indeed, sullied, by the revisionist re-writing of history now being practiced in one appellate court in France.

REMEMBERING THE DEAD

Kinneret Kish and her father, Sobibor death camp survivor Simon Rosenfeld, light one of the memorial beacons at Yad Vashem. On the right is new Russian immigrant Michael Gilad, a survivor of Belzec death camp.

Letters to the Editor

Letters are welcome if they are brief, in English or French, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit and condense letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and both handwritten and typed signatures.

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WHO GOOFED

Vandalized Jewish cemeteries have frequently been reported in the press. Anti-Semitic motives were the cause. However, desecration as the result of mismanagement by Jewish organizations is a novelty. But it happened to the cemetery of the very old venerable Jewish community of Hamburg.

What did happen is easily explained. The German Nazi government demolished the very old cemeteries completely. As the last step of this indignity they covered the complete area with a very thick asphalt blanket. Nothing was left of the cemetery except the bones in the ground.

When the war was over the Jewish Trust organization, part of the Jewish world congress, took over.

They became the new legal owners of all unclaimed individual properties not claimed by former Jewish owners and of defunct Jewish communities. To cover their expenses they proceeded to sell the recovered assets. And so it did happen that members of this Jewish organization went ahead and, without checking the former designation of the ground, sold the whole area of the former Hamburg cemetery to a real estate developer, who is presently trying to construct a shopping centre.

The present desecration has caused many protest actions all over the Jewish world. The Hamburg civic authorities claim that they cannot interfere with the activities of the present owner.

A proper administration of the Jewish Trust organization would have prevented the present situation.

Dr. Julius Pfeiffer, C.A.
Montreal

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JEWS AND BLACKS

I am writing to protest the apparent indifference on the part of mainstream Jewish community groups to the recent events affecting the black community.

I am a Moroccan Jew born and raised in Canada, and I did attend the Black Action Defence Committee's rally on May 4. I attended because I feel strongly that racism *is* an issue for Jews, not only in terms of how it directly affects us, but also how it affects others.

There is a perception in the minds of many Jews that the black community is somehow more inherently anti-Semitic, and therefore more dangerous than the white gentile ruling class, and this is a false assumption. I would ask all Jews to look back to our history and remind ourselves who it is that has caused us the most harm in Canada? Who is it who kept signs in store windows that read "No Jews or Dogs Allowed?" Who is it who turned back boatloads of Jews to send them to their deaths? What is the race of the Nazi skinheads who hunt us down in the streets, and deface our synagogues? Most important, who is it who benefits when blacks and Jews cannot form alliances with each other?

I feel strongly that now is the time to build bridges between the black community and the Jewish community and at the rally on May 4 I was ashamed as a Jew to see the lack of organized Jewish presence. At the present time, Jews are not being shot by police, nor are we routinely harassed on the streets and in our neighborhoods, but we know that the nature of violent anti-Semitism is cyclical and if they are shooting our black sisters and brothers now, there is nothing to say that we are not next. If we do not come out in support of the black community to protest injustice, who will be our allies and support when our lives are at stake?

A representative of B'nai Brith was told that while a few members of their organization were there, they did not wish to take away from the organizers of the rally with signs or public statement, therefore a few quiet press releases were issued, but now is not the time to be quiet, when people are being unjustly killed.

As two groups who share a similar history of genocide, ghettoization, discrimination, and forced diaspora, Jewish and black Canadians have an obligation to support each other. As Jews we are enjoined by Torah to follow the principle of tikkun olam: a just ordering of society.

I beg every Jew to remind your families, your rabbi, your community leader, and most of all yourself of this principle and to please support the Black Action Defencee Committee in any way that you can. Facism and racist violence is an issue for Jews.

Kyla Wazana
Toronto

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PLUS ÇA CHANGE...

For quite some time unconfirmed rumors have been circulating that President Bush, while denying the promised loan guarantees to Israel and linking them to the building of "settlements" by the Israelis, but not by the Palestinians, in the so-called "occupied territories", has been asking the European states, Germany included, to do likewise.

Recently, however, those rumors became more persistent in spite of President Bush's denials. Moreoever, according to some German officials, Bonn will abide by Baker's request which they say was made June 1991.

This is somewhat reminiscent of some events in 1939 when a large irregular movement of Jewish refugees, trying to escape Nazi Germany, was judged to be a great embarrassment to His Majesty's government and, as it appeared, to the American government which expressed a wish that the British ambassador in Berlin join the American chargé d'affaires to request the appropriate German authorities to discourage such travel on German ships.

It appears that, in a way, "Plus ça change plus c'est la même chose" (The more things change, the more they remain the same).

Isaac Josy
Toronto

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CORRECTING ATTRIBUTION

In *The Canadian Jewish News* issue of May 14, 1992, an article about a recent symposium attributes the following position to me: "anti-Semitism remains prevalent among the elite, while the average French-Canadian couldn't care less about Jews. They are not for them, they are not against them."

In order to accurately represent my position, it should have been: "while most average French-Canadians are neither for nor against Jews, anti-Semitism is still present among the elite."

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Opinion

Nova Scotia mining accident takes me back

By
J. B. SALSBERG

These lines are written Tuesday evening, May 12. All day I was at home, engaged mainly in pacing back and forth on my living room floor and my mind completely pre-occupied with two totally unrelated subjects: the coal-mine disaster in Plymouth, Nova Scotia and, hold your breath, the Lubavitch Rebbe, Reb. Menachem Mendel Schneerson, of Brooklyn, New York, who regrettably is ill.

No, I'm not a Lubavitcher Chosid, though I am a strong admirer of the present Lubavitcher Rebbe and his world-wide movement. By the same token, I'm not a coal miner, not even a resident of Plymouth, Nova Scotia, but I am deeply stirred by the tragic mine disaster there, where a mine explosion killed 15 underground miners and 11 more men are still unaccounted for at this writing, and the worst is expected.

Well, I hope to return to my Lubavitch concern next week and to devote this column to the tragic mine disaster on Canada's Atlantic shore.

You see, there was a period in my life when I served as an adviser and guide to fairly large segments of the Canadian trade union movement. More specifically, to what was called "progressive and radical wings" of Canadian unions. That activity brought me to the Nova Scotia coal miners and its steel workers; to Northern Ontario lumber workers and metal miners, etc. (Interesting, that only a couple of days ago I received an invitation from the United Steelworkers of America, Local 6500, Sudbury, Ont., the miner's union there, to attend an affair on May 21, which I will, regretfully, not be able to attend.

J.B. Salsberg

Well, in those days if my local hosts weren't able to arrange for me free accommodation in a "comrade home" (for money was terribly scarce) I would be settled-in in one or another of the local "hotels" that were really no more than glorified "boarding houses" in which "unmarried miners" lived.

And so it happened that on a sunny and warm morning I sat in my "hotel room" over a store on Kirkland Lake's main street trying to write my weekly article for a "left-wing" labor weekly in Toronto.

In the midst of doing so the table I was writing on and, indeed, the entire room, weaved considerably, which it usually didn't do. I looked out of the window that faced Kirkland Lake's Main Street and saw the few pedestrians on the street running. I decided to join them.

Now, so many years since that occasion, my memory bank clearly retains one sight of that tense occasion. A young woman, with a frightened and crying child at her side and an infant in a baby carriage in front of her, running, with others in front and back of her, towards the "mine head," where her husband and father of her children was working.

Did the swaying ground affect the mine? Was the mine entrance elevator operating to enable the underground men to escape?

Fortunately there were no casualties. All underground men managed to reach the surface, where they were embraced by weeping mothers, wives, other members of their families and their friends and neighbors. Kirkland Lake slowly regained its normal pulse of a stoic mining town.

But that day and that experience remained indelibly imprinted on my mind. And, I often wondered whether even man's insatiable quest for gold, let alone coal, justifies the entire mining enterprise with its terrible toll in human lives, permanently crippled bodies and heart-broken "next of kin."

On one of my last "speaking tours" of Cape Breton Island, where the lives of most of its residents are dominated by the coal and steel industries I was taken to the entrance of a successful coal mine. That "entrance" stretched for some miles under the Atlantic Ocean, because that is where the coal vein extends.

In the era when steam-power drove our ships, railroads and large-scale factories in the cities, coal was considered to be "black gold" and men toiled and often died in mine explosions underground and miles out under the Atlantic.

Now, on Wednesday, May 13/92, under a picture of mining rescue workers, the *Globe and Mail* captions its story from Stellarton, N.S.; "Questions surround new mine" and the item begins: "As politicians, unionists, and environmentalists openly begin to ask if the Westray coal mine, the site of Saturday's explosion, should have been opened, there are questions being asked about a related project."

If the "related project" will seem profitable then, I'm afraid, that project **will** be opened "irregardless," as they say on Bathurst St.

Oy! The world is in dire need of redemption!

And that brings us to our own Lubavitch, which we hope to visit next week.

How we identify with Jews in the news

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

It is no secret that most Jews, when they scan the newspapers, will quickly find articles that relate to Israel or to people identified as Jews. The Jewish reader feels, and rightly so, that in such cases the media speak about family. All of us are bound together in a way that seems incomprehensible to outsiders and even sometimes to ourselves.

So it is natural that when prominent Jews figure in the news we pay special attention. The two examples I want to adduce for the purpose of this column may seem to be totally unrelated and joined together in this column only because of their Jewishness. Precisely, I have in mind Barbara Frum and the Riechmanns.

In Frum's case, the attention was relatively brief, but enormously intense. No other figure in Canadian broadcast history has been given the accolades she received. Nor has there ever been someone who has made so singular an impact on the public.

And she was Jewish, no question about that. She and her family were (and are) members of synagogues and she and her family never hid their background or affiliation. To be sure, Barbara did not wear it on her sleeve; there was no need to do it. She was simply herself and night after night this Jewish Canadian entered the living rooms of the nation, sat down with them, and explored politics and personalities, cultural cross-currents or just the human side of life.

Rabbi Plaut

She was incisive, but never considered the person she interviewed a kind of quarry that could be caught and slaughtered. She had a sense for the personal dignity of those she interviewed. All of this made *The Journal* the number one show in Canada.

Not all Jews knew that she was one of us, and to be sure the media also did not stress it — although they did not hide it either. She was a natural in this as in all other respects. Labels did not fit her. She was simply Barbara Frum, a true Canadian, a human being.

But to some, the attention she received was not quite enough. "Why don't they make more of the fact that she was Jewish" I heard on more than one occasion. I suppose we wanted to shepp a little naches from her Jewishness and so, some felt, there wasn't enough to go around. We never seem to strike it right: there is either too little or too much.

Certainly in the case of the Reichmann family there has not been too little. Now as individuals the Reichmanns were rarely in the headlines. In fact, they made a point of being private persons. That they were Jewish was of course well known, because they gave their Jewishness a special content: in their attire, their personal lives, their charities, and they enhanced the Jewish name by their utter probity, reliability, and sense of honor.

But it is no secret that even so, many Jews felt uncomfortable when they heard the name. The great wealth of the Reichmann family seemed to reinforce the gentile stereotype of the Jews as someone successful with money, and this sense of Jewish insecurity was greatly deepened when the media began to consider the financial problems of the family as headline news day after day, week after week.

I know only good things about the Reichmanns, and the personal contacts I have had with them over the years were always positive and courteous. I do not know what they say in certain non-Jewish quarters about them, in restricted country clubs or behind closed doors — but I can guess. That doesn't bother me. People who like to have their stereotypes reinforced will find reasons for doing so.

What bothers me is how many Jews become nervous about it. I think the time has come to grow up. We have to make up our minds that we cannot please all of the people all of the time. I have no input into the financial affairs of the Reichmanns, but perhaps we all could use a little input regarding our own security. Too many of us still feel like second-class citizens, under constant scrutiny and potential attack. For some, little has changed from the days of pre-war Germany and Poland.

Feeling and acting like that gives one a poor vantage point for making judgements on the Reichmanns (whom I wish well in every respect) or Barbara Frum (who's memory I cherish and value).

Color affects life in the United States

By
ELAINE KAHN

From the time I was a little girl, one thing was very clear to me: Jews should never turn on those even lower than they are on life's victimization ladder, should never be bigots period. My view has never changed, even if I've come to learn that Jews, as individuals or organizationally, don't necessarily win any respect or make a lot of buddies when they fight for the rights of others — often not even from those others themselves.

Nothing would please me more than knowing that Jews everywhere could take the moral high ground this month, could look at the aftermath of the Rodney King travesty of justice and say not only that we will quadruple our efforts to make society fair, but that, as Jews, we really do have a great moral to teach the world: race doesn't matter.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could offer ourselves up here as, finally, a real light to the nations.

But of course we can't, because, although we have a good record organizationally in community bridge-building, civil rights work and social activism, individually we're usually as prejudiced as the next guy. Even in our own community.

An Ashkenazi-Sephardi split persists, both in the diaspora and in Israel. And, in Israel, the tension between new Soviet olim and the Sephardim puts one in mind a bit of Los Angeles and New York City, where Korean immigrants have leapfrogged economically over the native black community, which never seems to get off the bottom rung.

Not to mention black Jews, especially the Ethiopians. The week of the King verdict, my copy of the *Jerusalem Report* detailed the problems of absorption faced by Ethiopian Jews in Israel, often at the hands of new Soviet olim, who think that blacks are simply inferior and can't accept that they too are Jews.

Elaine Kahn

We can't even take comfort in the fact that Jews did not participate in the L.A. riots, given a *Nightline* panel member mentioning youths in kippot looting stores on Fairfax Avenue there.

The lack of money or, more precisely, of all the things it can buy, from food to job training to loans to small businesses to school supplies (to drugs) is what all social and political problems get traced back to everywhere. So the urge to shout at George Bush to send money, not Marines, is irresistible, obvious and pointless — not this president, not this problem, and certainly not this year.

So my mind is caught by a different angle, one we as Jews are too familiar with: harmful, seemingly ineradicable stereotypes, that live independent of facts. And what I wonder is: if every black in North America has the same education, money, house and so on as any "average" white North American, would we be less frightened of each other?

I think not, which scares me worse than anything, because it makes it all so hopeless. I don't think we even know anymore when our fears are groundless and when they're real — so, to be cautious, we opt for fear.

I read a magazine piece a few years ago, by a black professional in New York, who spoke of how disheartening it was for him to watch whites go into self-protective stances on the streets when they sensed him near.

(Would a black woman meet with the same reaction? I think not. We fear black male physically — I think for most of us black women are mental, invisible. What I fear from black women is their contempt for my often passive liberalism.)

A cousin of mine once drove me past neighborhoods in Chicago he said he would never ever go into, because they were black. That they were also middle class meant nothing to him.

Walking around one rainy night last month in the tiny downtown of a small American town, I turned to the person (a Jew) escorting me, to ask whether it was safe to walk around at night there alone.

"Yes," he assured me, then hesitated. A little reluctantly, he parted with the information that there might be one neighborhood he would think twice about. When I asked him whether he meant the local black neighborhood, he, very sheepishly, said "yes."

My husband and I had noticed that neighborhood during an afternoon stroll. It wasn't particularly shabby — it looked much like the slightly rundown housing one finds near universities everywhere. Yet, when my husband noticed that everyone around us had suddenly changed from white to black, we decided we'd seen enough of that area.

We were feeling unwanted at best and fearful at worst — and I'm sure, in this case, it was all in our heads. But we turned back nonetheless.

I'd like to think something profound will come out of the riots and maybe something will, but first they'll be nothing more than election campaign fodder.

In a better world, all Bill Clinton would need to do now is set up pictures of the riots with George Bush's face superimposed. Bush's voice promising a kinder, gentler nation, and Clinton would have it in the bag. Except Clinton, unlike the "moral" man who's led the horrendous domestic regression of the United States for four years, apparently has character problems.

Seems he's slept around. And used drugs once or twice. And doesn't always tell the truth. None of which makes him admirable, but none of which strikes me as out of the ordinary for a person or my generation, let alone a politician.

What's really working against him is his blotted military record. In the United States, guns, leadership and manhood are a holy trinity (in case you've ever wondered why no woman will ever become president). The man with the biggest guns always gets the prize.

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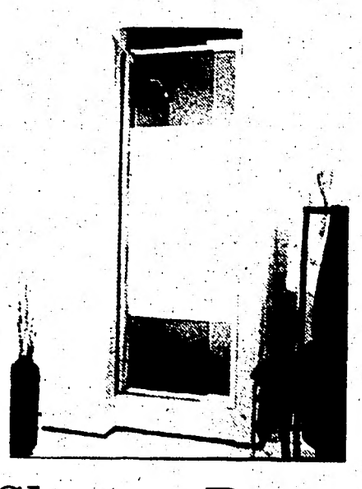

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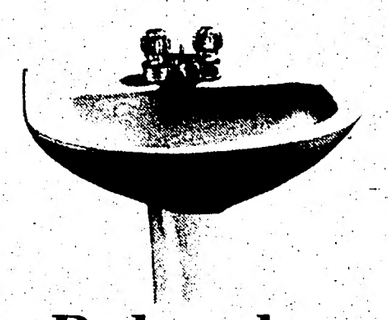

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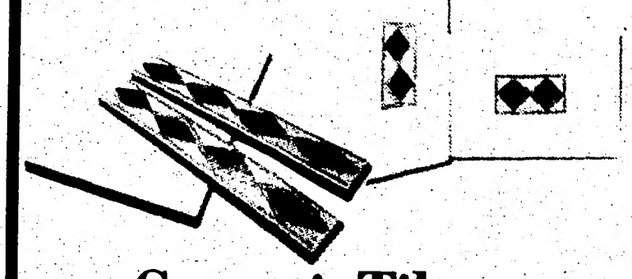

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MAY/92	Annual Meeting	JEWISH FAMILY & CHILD SERVICE	Lipa Green Building — 7:30 p.m.
	Frances Bitterman Memorial Lecture: Professsor Martin Lockshin	BETH TIKVAH CONGREGATION	Beth Tikvah Synagogue — 8:00 p.m.
	Domestic Violence in the Jewish Home	BETH TZEDEC SISTERHOOD/J.F. & C.S.	Beth Tzedec Synagogue — 7:30 p.m.
	National Plenary Assembly — Canadian Jewish Congress	CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS	Regal Constellation Hotel
	Annual Spring Concert	TORONTO JEWISH FOLK CHOIR	Bickford Park Centre — 3:00 p.m.
	Executive Committee Meeting	U.I.A. OF CANADA	Lipa Green Bldg., 4th Floor Conference Centre 4:00 - 7:30 p.m.
	Spring Study Program - Rabbi Saltzman, Cantor Zingboim	ADATH ISRAEL/BETH DAVID	Adath Israel Synagogue — 8:00 p.m.
	Tribute Dinner: Honouree - Harold Malitsky	BOARD OF JEWISH EDUCATION/JFGT	Sheraton Hotel — 7:00 p.m.
	Annual Campaign Dinner	AISH HATORAH	RPM Nightclub (Queensway) — 8:00 p.m.
	"Under the Boardwalk"	THE CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY	Sheraton Centre — 6:00 p.m.
	Blue Jay Night Dinner	COMMUNITY HEBREW ACADEMY	
	Cocktail Reception	ISRAEL BONDS	Beth Tikvah Synagogue
	Jazz Meets Klezmer: Moe Kauffman Quintet — The Gloria Feldman Klezmer Trio	BETH TIKVAH CONGREGATION	8:00 p.m.
	Art Auction	HASHOMER HATZAIR	Park Plaza Hotel ¢(Plaza Room) 6:30 p.m.-preview 7:30 p.m.-auction
	Annual Golf Tournament	CANADIAN TECHNION	Emerald Hills Golf Club
	Alexandre Raab Tribute Dinner	CANADIAN FRIENDS OF HEBREW UNIVERSITY	Inn On The Park — 6:00 p.m.
	"Conservately Speaking"	UNITED SYNAGOGUE OF CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM	Shaareh Haim Synagogue
	The Canadian Singers in Concert: Harvey Patterson	HOLY BLOSSOM TEMPLE	Holy Blossom Temple — 8:00 p.m.
	The Holy Blossom Temple Singers: Cantor Benjamin J. Maissner		
	Investiture of Companion Event	CANADIAN FRIENDS OF TEL-AVIV UNIVERSITY	Beth David Synagogue — 6:00 p.m.
	Luncheon: Lyn McLeod, M.P.P.	CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS	Sheraton Centre - 11:30 reception 12:00 lunch
	Monte Carlo Night	THE JEWISH STUDENT FEDERATION OF YORK UNIVERSITY	Beth Sholom Synagogue — 8:00 p.m.
	Dancing to the music of the Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band	THE KOFFLER GALLERY	JCC North Branch — 9:00 p.m.
	Walk for Israel	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL/FED.	All Day
	Dinner & Dedication	YESHIVA EITZ YITZCHAK	235 Bowman Street, Hamilton — 5:00 p.m.
JUNE/92	Annual Chorale Concert	JEWISH MUSIC COMMITTEE/FED.	Adath Israel Synagogue — 8:00 p.m.
	Spring Study Program — Rabbi Scheim, Cantor Kirshblum, Cantor Zingboim	ADATH ISRAEL/BETH DAVID	Adath Israel Synagogue 8:00 — 10:30 p.m.
	"A Festival of Jewish Art" (Show & Sale)	THE JERUSALEM FDN. OF CANADA YOUNG LEADERSHIP FED.	The Pantages Theatre — 7:30 p.m.
	Annual Meeting	TOURETTE SYNDROME FOUNDATION OF CANADA	Leah Posluns Theatre — 7:30 p.m.
	Dinner -"Evening of Hope - Under The Big Top"	BEQUEST & ENDOWMENT/FED.	Richmond Hill Country Club
	Update '92	JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTRE	Beth Emeth Synagogue — 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
	Sport Celebrity Dinner: Honourees: Bruce McNall, Wayne Gretzky, John Candy		Regal Constellation Hotel 6:00 p.m.
	Lecture: Dr. Tavee LaPidot	WEIZMAN - WOMEN FOR SCIENCE	8:00 p.m.,
	Theatre Night	CANADIAN FRIENDS/JEWISH ELWYN	
	Elimination Draw	B'NAI BRITH WOMEN OF TORONTO	Beth Tikvah Synagogue — 9:15 p.m.
	Shabbat Family Services	BETH TZEDEC YOUTH FAMILIES COMMITTEE	Beth Tzedec Synagogue Hendeles Chapel — 10:00 a.m.
	75th Anniversary Gala Dinner	CANADIAN YOUNG JUDEA/FED.	Beth Tzedec Synagogue — 6:30 p.m.
	Annual Show and Share	POMEGRANATE GUILD OF JUDAIC NEEDLECRAFT	Holy Blossom Temple — 8:00 p.m.
	Annual Concert	MIZRACHI	Shaarei Shomayim — 8:00 p.m.
	Annual Dinner "Growing Up With Na'amat"	NA'AMAT TORONTO	Beth David Synagogue — 7:00 p.m.
	Annual Meeting	JEWISH NATIONAL FUND OF TORONTO	Inn on the Park — 7:30 p.m.
	An Evening with Rivka Golani	CANADIAN FRIENDS OF HASHOMER HOSPITAL	(no time or place yet)
	Annual Dinner: Installation of Officers	BAYCREST MEN'S SERVICE CLUB	Wagman Centre — 6:00 p.m.
	Bi-Annual Dinner	SHAAREI ZEDEK FOUNDATION	Marriott Hotel (Eaton Centre) 6:30 p.m.
	Concert — Evening Celebration	MUSIC SOCIETY/FED.	
	Annual Brunch: Honourees - Dr. Allan & Annie Heber, Danny & Joy Zigelman, Gordon Donsky	SHE'ARIM HEBREW DAY SCHOOL	Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue 10:00 a.m.
	"CHAI" Celebration & Alumnae Reunion	LEO BAECK DAY SCHOOL	Leo Baeck Day School — 11:00 a.m.
	Shopping Spree	EMUNAH WOMEN OF TORONTO	Lawrence Square
	Annual Lecture — Professor Arthur Kruger	ADATH ISRAEL CONG./DR. DOROTHY SOME MEM. FUND	Adath Israel Synagogue — 8:00 p.m.
	Dinner: Tribute to Bill Attewell M.P. - Markham	MARKHAM P.C. ASSOCIATION	Sheraton Centre — 6:00 p.m.
	Annual Gala Dinner: Honourees - Bert & Marilyn Raphael	REENA FOUNDATION	Regal Constellation Hotel - 6:15 p.m.
	Luncheon: Conrad Black	CANADIAN FRIENDS OF THE JERUSALEM COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY	Sheraton Centre Downtown — 12:00 noon
	Concert	BETH SHOLOM CONGREGATION	Beth Sholom Sanctuary — 8:00 p.m.
	Boys — Graduation	EITZ CHAIM	Eitz Chaim School (Patricia Ave.) 7:30 p.m.
	"Gala Bowl '92"	TORONTO CHAPTER WEIZMAN INSTITUTE	Thorncliffe Bowlerama — 7:00 p.m.
	Society In Crisis: A Personal Experience	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN OF CANADA	National Council House — 7:30 p.m.
	Annual Jewish Book Award Night	JEWISH BOOK COMMITTEE/FED.	Lipa Green Building — 8:00 p.m.
	Girls — Graduation	EITZ CHAIM	Eitz Chaim School (Yorkhill Blvd.) 7:30 p.m.
	Spring Program	B. & P. UJA	Adath Israel Synagogue — 7:45 p.m.
	"Four Faces of Israel" Show	CANADA ISRAEL GESHER FOUNDATION	Winter Garden Theatre — 8:00 p.m.
	Family Picnic	BETH TZEDEC YOUNG FAMILIES COMMITTEE	Details to follow
	Annual Fundraiser and Tennis Exhibition	CANADA-ISRAEL ATHLETICS FUND	Contact Ann — 660-1999
	Mount Sinai Auxiliary — Gala Benefit	MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL AUXILIARY	Elgin Theatre 7:00 p.m.
	"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"		Beth Torah Synagogue — 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
	Bazaar North	BETH TORAH SISTERHOOD	
	Adath Israel Bar/Bat Mitzvah — Tour Israel	ADATH ISRAEL CONGREGATION	Spring Lake Golf & Country Club — 10:30 a.m.
	Baycrest Open Golf Tournament	BAYCREST YOUNG LEADERS	
		SHAAREI ZEDEK	
	Gala '92 "Wish Upon A Star"	BAYCREST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY	Inn On The Park — 6:30 p.m.
	Russian Gala Wedding	JEWISH RUSSIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE OF TORONTO	B.A.Y.T. — 5:00 p.m.
	Rabbi Shemen Dinner		
	25th Anniversary Celebrations	BETH TIKVAH CONGREGATION	Beth Tikvah Synagogue
	Judaic Art Exhibit	OHR SAMAYACH	
	"SUPER SUNDAY"	UNITED JEWISH APPEAL/FED.	
	Opera & Broadway Night	MUSIC SOCIETY/FED.	
	50th Anniversary Dinner	EMUNAH WOMEN OF TORONTO	Beth Avraham Synagogue
	Festival of Festivals: Gala Night	CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS	Elgin Theatre — 7:00 p.m.
	Lecture: Annual Sidney S. Colt Memorial	ADATH ISRAEL CONG./THE SIDNEY S. COLT MEM. FUND	Adath Israel — 9:15 p.m.
	National Board Meeting	CANADIAN TECHNION SOCIETY	Deerhurst Resort, Huntsville — 10:00 a.m.
	Annual Tribute to Volunteers Brunch	NA'AMAT TORONTO	11:00 a.m.

DATE	EVENT	ORGANIZATION	PLACE/TIME
	Theatre Common Grounds	LEAH POSLUNS THEATRE/JCC	Leah Posluns Main Theatre — 8:00 p.m.
	Annual Governors Dinner	ONTARIO JEWISH ORT	Inn On The Park — 6:30 p.m.
	64th Annual "Bazaar & Auction"	NA'AMAT TORONTO	International Centre — 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
	Annual Bazaar	TORONTO KADASSAH - WIZO	Automotive Bldg. - C.N.E. — (all day)
	Annual Dinner: Honouree - Kurt Rothchild	ISRAEL BONDS	Constellation Hotel — 5:30 p.m.
	Annual Tea and Fashion Show	JEWISH FAMILY & CHILD SERVICE	Adath Israel Synagogue — 2:00 p.m.
	Annual Meeting	BAYCREST SISTERHOOD	Leah Posluns Theatre — 8:00 p.m.
	Holocaust Education Week Program-Opening Night	COMMUNITY CENTRE	Holy Blossom Temple 8:00 p.m.
	Speaker: Professor Irwin Cotler	HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE COMMITTEE	Shaarei Shomayim Congregation Banquet Hall - 6:30 p.m.
	Annual Shaarei Shomayim Giant Jackpot Draw		Sheraton Centre — 5:30 p.m.
	Annual Negev Dinner	SHAAREI SHOMAYIM CONGREGATION - BROTHERHOOD	
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	Jewish Women's Festival		Baycrest Terrace — all day program
	Lecture & Tribute presentation: Gerda Steinitz-Freiberg	HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE COMMITTEE	Time and place not chosen yet

Community Calendar

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Organizations and People

Reena Foundation to honor Raphaels

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

It wasn't Bert and Marilyn Raphael who found the Reena Foundation; it was the other way around.

About the time the foundation was set up 18 years ago, its first, current and seemingly tireless executive director, Sandy Keshen, approached the Raphaels to talk about their developmentally handicapped daughter, Sheree.

Then in her late teens, Sheree was a resident of the Huronia Hospital School for the mentally retarded (that was the term then), located in Orillia. Her parents were allowed to visit but could not take her home for overnight.

But Keshen was sure that Sheree was a prime candidate for communal living, the Reena Foundation's specialty. The one drawback was if Sheree left the hospital, there was no going back to it.

Marilyn and Bert Raphael

foundation to help the developmentally challenged fight inequities in the community.

She may not have known it at the time, but Sheree Raphael was a pioneer, or sorts. Group home living for the developmentally disabled, with the idea of integrating them into the mainstream community and in a Jewish milieu to boot, was a bold experiment in the early 1970s, one beset by NIMBY — the Not In My Back Yard syndrome.

But today, the foundation can boast of 30 group homes and 52 apartment units for independent living, almost all in North York, with a resident population of 200 and 200 more on the waiting list. There are 96 profoundly handicapped adults in Reena's day vocation program who work in on-site workshops and receive real-life skills training. A further 50 non-residents look to Reena for counselling and support. Camp Reena in the Caledon Hills provides summer fun and respite for 150 developmentally handicapped children and adults.

For information, call Minnie Ross at (416) 787-0131.

Gala affair

The gamble paid off, for neither Sheree nor her parents have looked back since, and their partnership with Reena has been a long and productive one.

That's why the foundation has chosen Bert and Marilyn as the honorees at this year's Reena annual dinner, to be held at the Regal Constellation Hotel June 16.

The gala affair, chaired by Ira Sack, will mark the establishment of the Bert and Marilyn Raphael Advocacy Fund, which will assist the

Orthodox seek social services for developmentally delayed

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

When Sholom, a young man in his early 20s, moved to Toronto, he wanted to find a niche in the religious community of the city.

Being the resourceful type, he walked up and down Bathurst Street, stopping in the various shtiebls and synagogues he found.

Not only couldn't he find anyplace where he could fit in, but he was asked to leave.

You see, Sholom (not his real name), is developmentally delayed, and the Orthodox community is not immune from the unthinking insularity of the rest of the population.

A small group of parents want to change this situation. They want to create services for those who, because of their level of religious observance, are not being adequately assisted by existing institutions or organizations.

The first priority, they say, is housing, "so that young people can leave their family of origin and set themselves up for life in supportive housing."

However, they don't want to limit their efforts to housing. They recognize that socialization, and an opportunity to live the fully Jewish life they have been used to are equally important.

Pinchas Tessler, father of a 25-year-old son, explains "our children grew up in a home where religious observance is important. They want to maintain those religious values, such as Shabbos and kashruth, at a level which is presently not available [to the developmentally delayed] anywhere in Canada."

Indeed, many families face having to send their children out of the country, to New York or Israel, for instance.

Their efforts are not solely for the developmentally delayed, but also for those with psychiatric disabilities or those with cerebral palsy, for example.

This group has had discussions with communal agencies like Reena and Jewish Family & Child Service, who have committed themselves to working in co-operation with such a group in defining their needs and developing appropriate services.

The core group of parents, Pinchas and Miriam Tessler, Chana Hirschman, and Flora Pollard, say that they recognize realistically that they will not be around forever, and believe it is preferable to make arrangements while they are still able, and before an emergency arises.

The project is being encouraged through the efforts of JF & CS's Orthodox Outreach Project, coordinated by Avraham Friedman.

Friedman noted that it came about through parent initiative, and that "the parents will have a clear role in determining how the institution is run, and in its on-going development and management."

He added that he has been contacted by a family from Montreal in the same situation. The child is too high-functioning for that city's Miriam Home, he says, and has the same desire for an observant environment that the Toronto clients do.

Also like Toronto, the numbers of those who need this type of service in Montreal is low.

Pollard added that parents often feel very alone dealing with their special needs children, and the group would like to establish a support group.

"We need to identify and connect with others in the same situation. Parents can offer a lot of help and advice to each other," she said.

For more information about the parents group, or the proposed home or programs, contact Chana Hirschman, (416)783-3631 or 783-3131; the Tesslers, (416)783-9290 or 494-7666; or Flora Pollard, (416)787-6608; or in Montreal, Judy Zimlichman, (514)737-7801.

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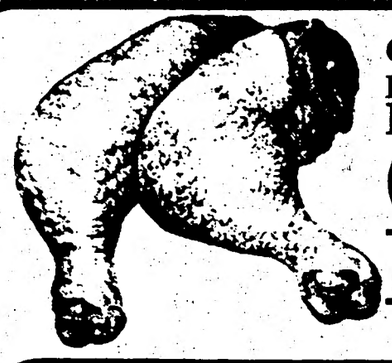

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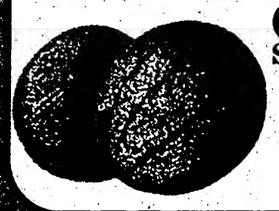

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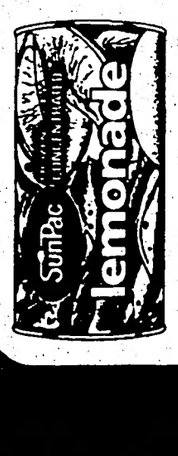

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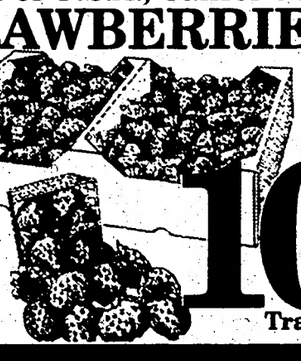

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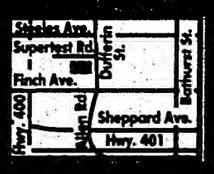

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Organizations and People

Winnipeg gives award to Righteous Gentile

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
On Sunday, May 3, Winnipeg's Jewish community held its annual Holocaust Awareness Program. The event, coordinated by the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council (WJCC) Holocaust Awareness Committee, was held at the YWHA Jewish Community Centre.

The afternoon featured a documentary film on the rescue of 4,000 Jewish Belgian children, a panel discussion with four survivors and the presentation of Yad Vashem's Righteous Among the Gentiles Award to Winnipegger Martin Siepman.

For Siepman, the award was a long time coming. During the war, Siepman, his late parents, Alexander Peter and Berta, and his late brother, Christian, for three and a half years sheltered a Jewish family at great personal risk to themselves in their home near Delft in Holland.

"We were in the Resistance from the beginning," Siepman says. "We did our best to find safe places for Jewish people and others being hunted by the Germans. We sheltered Mr. and Mrs. Bonowich and two of their daughters."

In 1948, Siepman and his wife, Heidi, immigrated to Canada where he established a market gardening business (the family were market gardeners in Holland) just outside Winnipeg.

He was first notified in 1974 that one of the Bonowich Family had given testimony on behalf of the Siepman Family at Yad Vashem. "I was invited to come to Ottawa any time and be presented with the award," he says, "but I have never had any business in Ottawa."

In 1983, the American Holocaust organization invited Siepman to Washington, D.C. for three days and paid his expenses. Last year, a wealthy American Jew offered Siepman a week-long trip to Israel with all expenses paid. (Siepman paid for his wife to come, too.) While in Israel, they visited Yad Vashem and met the man responsible for the Righteous Among the Gentiles Awards.

He asked Siepman why he had never received his award. When Siepman told him, the man said he would arrange for Siepman to receive his award the next time the Israeli Council General came to Winnipeg. The presentation was originally scheduled for last December but Siepman was asked if it could be postponed to Holocaust Awareness Week.

In making the presentation, Acting Israeli Council General Oren David noted that, of 7,000 Righteous Among the Gentiles Awards issued, about 3,000 have been given to people from Holland.

"This is striking considering the small size of the Dutch Jewish community before the war as compared to Jewish communities elsewhere in Europe," David said.

"The Siepman Family were among the relatively few who showed humanity, morality, compassion and courage in a time of darkness and evil. There is no way we can adequately pay what they are owed. This medal is the least we can do."

Siepman is still in contact with Til Bonowich Fontaine who still lives in Holland.

AJC to make changes to reflect community

By
JOEL JACOBSON

HALIFAX —
The Atlantic Jewish Council (AJC) is taking steps to reflect the reality of Jewish existence in the Atlantic region after a May 1-3 retreat in Halifax.

The umbrella group for Jewish organizations in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, has formed task forces to revise its constitution, examine staffing requirements and study its public relations and communications programs prior to the Fall 1992 annual meeting.

AJC chairman and acting president, Lee Cohen, said the weekend "provided solidarity and a commitment to get the community back on the Jewish map."

More than 35 community leaders from Halifax, Kentville, Springhill, Charlottetown, Saint John, Fredericton and Moncton attended the sessions.

Larry Freeman of Halifax, a board member for nine years, said he had never seen such a positive attitude. "The core group of 35 people want to see the AJC function well."

The Atlantic Jewish Council was formed 17 years ago but Cohen said changing demographics, changing locations of Jewish families and of functional organizations have shown the need for a new outlook.

"For example, the people at the retreat gave us a sense of the kind of programming needed," he said. "We need separate professional programming staff and professional campaign staff."

Until now, programming and fundraising have been the responsibility of one executive director, most recently Emmanuel Zabar, who is completing a five-year term as shaliach and is returning to Israel after July 31.

Cohen said the AJC's budget could handle two separate positions.

"Our programming profile in the region needs enhancing. And we could use a campaign director to look after the region through 12 months, not just the two months of a campaign.

"The culture of giving has declined and there is a need for re-education. We need an informed, aggressive and sensitive person."

He said there was agreement the AJC is essential. "What it does, it does well — except programming. There are flaws and we have needs. The retreat contributed to finding solutions."

Mayor Lastman to launch North York Seniors Games

TORONTO —
On May 26, Mayor Mel Lastman will officially open the North York Seniors Games at Central Park Lodge, 265 Queens Dr. The mayor will first cut the ribbons and then putt the first golf ball.

"This year marks a special milestone as we celebrate our 10th anniversary," says Eldon Comfort, a retired principal and president of the North York Seniors Games steering committee.

Winners of some of the events will represent North York at the Ontario Seniors Games to be held in Hamilton in August.

The opening ceremonies which are sponsored by Central Park Lodges, will be held at the Central Park Lodge Tuesday, May 26 from 2 to 4 p.m.

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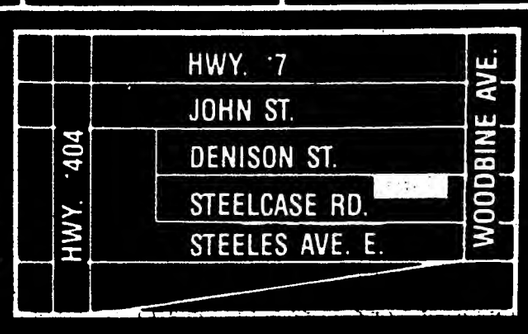

Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE REMINDER

The deadline for What's New and About People is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, May 21, is deadline for June 4 issue and Thursday, May 28, is deadline for June 11 issue). I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail.

Thursday, May 21

MOVIE NIGHT

Beth Tzedec Men's Club's movie night features *Fried Green Tomatoes* at 8 p.m. at the synagogue. No charge and the public is welcome.

Friday, May 22

MUSICAL HAPPY HOUR

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will perfrom at Lincoln Place, 429 Walmer Rd., from 2-3 p.m. in a program of popular, Jewish and semi-classical music.

Sunday, May 24

ISRAEL FAIR

The JCC Bloor Y and Downtown Community School invite you to an Israel Fair to help celebrate Israel's 44th birthday. There will be activity booths, information booths, Israeli food, photo display and more. It all takes place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bloor Y. Admission is free.

PROF. ITCHE GOLDBERG

Prof. Itche Goldberg of New York will be the guest speaker at the Yiddish Kultur Geselshaft at 8 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. His topic (in Yiddish) will be The Wise Laughter of Shalom Aleichem.

NIAGARA BRASS ENSEMBLE

Come and enjoy a varied program of classical and contemporary music performed by the well-known professional quintet, Niagara Brass Ensemble, at 3 p.m. at the Beach Hebrew Institute, 109 Kenilworth Ave. The concert is free. Call 694-7942 for more information.

GOLAN GROUP ANNUAL BAZAAR

You'll find fantastic values at the Golan Group 24th annual bazaar taking place at Thornhill Community Centre, Bayview and John St., at 1:30 p.m. All proceeds will go to Ben Yehuda School for handicapped children in Israel.

UJA TEA PARTY

Congregation Habonim and United Jewish Appeal/Operation Exodus annual UJA Tea Party begins at 2:30 p.m. at Beth Habonim, 5 Glen Park Ave. There will be musical entertainment under the direction of **Esther Ghan-Firestone** with the JCC Singers and the Habonim Choir, door prizes, and of course, the traditional tea. Admission is $12. All proceeds will go to UJA/Operation Exodus.

CHUTZPAH DISCUSSION FORUM

Chutzpah is holding a discussion forum dealing with Aging Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual: Frightening Prospect Or...? at 117 Gerrard St. E. party room. Doors open at 1:45 p.m. and forum begins promptly at 2.

SAJAC GET-TOGETHER

SAJAC, South African Jewish Association of Canada, is holding a Welcome to Toronto evening for newcomers and pioneers from South Africa to hear about various Jewish organizations and how they can benefit you. The time is 8 p.m. at the JCC North-East Valley branch. There is no charge. For information, contact **Colin Baskin** at 733-8610.

RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE

A rummage and bake sale, sponsored by Orah Branch, National Council of Jewish Women, takes place from 9 a.m. to noon at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St.

NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

The Israel Numismatic Association of Toronto (INST) will meet in the board room of Holy Blossom Temple at 9:30 a.m. when **George Prager** will speak on Ancient Jewish Coins: The Second Temple and Thereafter. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge.

SIDEWALK SALE

Bathurst Manor Plaza (Wilmington and Overbrook) is where Royal Canadian Legion Wingate Branch is having a sidewalk sale of such items as clothing, small appliances, toys. Sale runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine.

GARAGE SALE

International Branch, National Council of Jewish Women, is holding a giant garage sale where you can pick up clothing, bric a brac, books, toys and much more at recession prices. The sale is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. a 9 Leacock Cres. (Denlow and Leslie area).

Monday, May 25

WOMEN IN JEWISH LITERATURE

New Fraternal Jewish Association is presenting **Prof. Itche Goldberg**, professor of Yiddish literature and editor of the magazine *Yiddish Kultur*, who will speak on Women in Jewish Literature. The time is 8 p.m. at the NFJA Centre, 120 Overbrook Pl., Suite 107. The public is invited. Admission is $2.

STRICTLY KOSHER

At the Beth Jacob Sisterhood meeting the topic, Strictly Kosher, will be discussed by **Yaacov Luss**, manager of Goldstein's Meats, who will present interesting ideas on how to prepare various meats. It takes place at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 147 Overbrook Pl. Everyone is welcome.

NAGILLAH CHAPTER MEETING

Nagillah Chapter, B'nai Brith Women, a 40 plus singles group, is holding a general meeting at 8 p.m. at Central Library, 5120 Yonge St. The program will focus on Street Safety for Women. Admission is $2. For more information, call **Beverley** at 633-3203 or **Helen** at 223-9530.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

La Leche League of North Bathurst presents The Art of Breastfeeding, the third in the series of four monthly meetings. Discussion will deal with proper positioning of the baby, overcoming breastfeeding difficulties, and adjusting to the role of new mother. Meetings are open to pregnant and nursing mothers. Babies are welcome. The time is 8 p.m. at 157 Glenmanor Way, Thornhill. For information, phone **Ruth** at 736-1758 or **Joyce** at 881-8779 or **Robin** at 886-8364 or **Karen** at 221-7002.

JEWISH SPIRITUALITY

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am and Adath Israel Congregations continue the joint adult education series on Jewish Spirituality at 8 p.m. when **Rabbi Steven Saltzman** will discuss Prayer: Is This the Best of All Possible Worlds? Lecture will be held at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am. Then at 9:15 p.m. The Joy of Singing will be led by **Cantor Moti Zingboim**.

Tuesday, May 26

KOSHER COOKING SCHOOL

This Kosher Cooking School session will cover Chinese soup, salad, chow mein, egg rolls and wontons. The time is 8 p.m. at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation. The fee is $15. For information, call 635-9550.

HOLOCAUST IN CONTEMPORARY FILM

The Holocaust in Contemporary Film is the theme of the Morning Study Group session taking place at Holy Blossom Temple from 9:45-11:30 a.m. Guest speaker is **Norm Ravvin**, PhD candidate, University of Toronto. Babysitting is available. Call **Rhonda** at 633-3812 for information.

T'NACH STUDY GROUP

The T'nach Study Group will focus on Kings I, Chapter 3, with lecturer **Abe Richman.** The group meets from 8:15-10 p.m. at Associated Hebrew Schools, 3630 Bathurst St.

Wednesday, May 27

CONSERVATIVELY SPEAKING

The community is invited to attend Conservatively Speaking, a discussion of issues concerning our community, sponsored by United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, Ontario Region, at 8 p.m. at Shaareh Haim Synagogue, 9711 Bayview Ave. Guest speakers are **Morton K. Siegel**, director of regional activities, United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, New York, and **Rabbi Erwin Schild**, rabbi emeritus, Adath Israel Congregation. Admission is free.

ABOUT ADULT CHILDREN

Beth Torah Sisterhood, under the auspices of Jewish Family & Child Service, is presenting a workshop meeting entitled How To Get Your Adult Children To Let Go Of You at 8 p.m. at 47 Glenbrook Ave. Admission is $5. For further information, call **Linda Lallouz** at 487-0844.

INTERMARRIAGE SERIES

The second session of the Intermarriage Series presented by Jewish Journeys is The Chosen People — Chosen for What? with **Rabbi Avraham Plotkin**, rabbi of Chabad Lubavitch of Markham. The time is 8 p.m. at 55 Guardsman Rd., Thornhill. Cover charge is $4 per session. For information, call 886-0420.

FINANCIAL PLANNING

Holy Blossom Temple Lunch and Learn in Retirement Group is featuring Financial Planning and Retirement Options with **Jennifer Christensen** and **Elaine Andrews**, Investors Group of Toronto. The group meets at noon. For advance registration, call **Deborah** at 789-3291. Bring your lunch. Cookies, tea and coffee are provided.

JEWISH/GENTILE INTERACTION

Rabbi Steven Cohen of Kehillat Shaarei Torah delivers a Talmud shiur in Tractate Avoda Zara examining the concerns of Jewish relationships with the Gentile world. Class meets at 8 p.m. at the shul. 2640 Bayview Ave. Call 229-2600 to register.

Thursday, May 28

LYN MCLEOD TO SPEAK

Lyn McLeod, leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, will speak on issues concerning the latest budget and the Canadian economy at a luncheon hosted by the Construction and Development Division, State of Israel Bonds at the Sheraton Centre. The 500 guests will include leading members of the business, cocnstruction, real estate and financial communities.

AWARD

At a recent board meeting, Beth Tzedec Congregation was presented with the United Jerusalem Award by State of Israel Bonds. Marilyn Light, chairman of the congregation's Israel Bond Committee, is seen here with Gabriel Grushcow, president of the congregation. The award recognizes the continuing success of Beth Tzedec campaigns on behalf of Israel Bonds.

The reception is at 11:45 a.m. followed by luncheon at noon. Tickets are $36 per person, $360 per table. For tickets, call **Jacques Vogler** at Canada Israel Secuities, 789-3351.

BEIT HALOCHEM BOAT CRUISE

Beit Halochem's 3rd annual boat cruise on the Stella Borealis boards at 7 p.m. at Queen's Quay E. (sail at 7:30 sharp), docks at 11 p.m. with the party continuing to midnight on the boat. The $40 fee includes kosher Israeli buffet, entertainment and prizes. Call **Ellen Lupu** at 482-5158 or the Beit Halochem office at 630-4031.

THE JAZZ SINGER

The film *The Jazz Singer* with **Al Jolson** is the last screening of the Toronto Jewish Film Society 1991-92 season. The time is 7:30 p.m. at the Leah Posluns Theatre. It is open to the public. Admission is $5.

DIFFERENT CULTURES

Forest Hill Place Retirement Residence, 645 Castlefield Ave., presents Different Cultures: Different Views of Older Adults—Chinese, Jewish and Italian with panelists **Mel Shipman**, director, intergenerational programming, Ryerson; **C.W. Cheng**, director, Monshong Chinese Home for the Aged; **Rosalie Derengo**, social worker, Villa Columbo, and **Faye Geitzhals**, social worker JF & CS. The time is 2 p.m. Admission is free. call **Marlene White** at 785-1511.

And What Else Is New...

UPCOMING ISRAELI ELECTIONS

A symposium on The Upcoming Elections in Israel with guest speaker **Shira Herzog-Bessin**, national vice-president, Canada-Israel Committee, will take place Sunday, May 31, at 7:30 pm. at the Borochov Cultural Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. This event is sponsored by the Labor Zionist Movement, Labor Zionist Alliance and Na'amt Canada-Toronto. There is no admission charge.

THE CONVENIENCE STORE

The Convenience Store at the Wagman Centre has been expanded and renovated to provide a strictly kosher light take-out food service with sandwiches, salads, soups to heat in the microwave, yogurt, cheese and a variety of microwaveable "Resident Choice" frozen dinners.

The store, located on the ground floor, is open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You are invited to try the new food service and your suggestions and comments are welcome. For information, call 789-5131, ext. 2349 or 2278.

USY CONVENTION

United Synagogue Youth-Ontario Region is holding its annual regional convention May 22-24 in St. Catharines. The theme is All About God. The weekend includes study, prayer and collegiality along with the election of regional officers. For more information, contact **Avi Rose**, director of regional youth activities at the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism-Ontario Region office at 738-1717.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

High Junk, a series of exhibitions planned for the Koffler Loggia Gallery, will examine the work of artists belonging to the generation that followed on the heels of the Baby Boom — that is artists born between 1960 and 1965. For details about submissions, call **John Massier**, associate curator, at 636-1880, ext. 268.

HAVURAH WEEKEND RETREAT

The first Canadian/American Weekend Retreat

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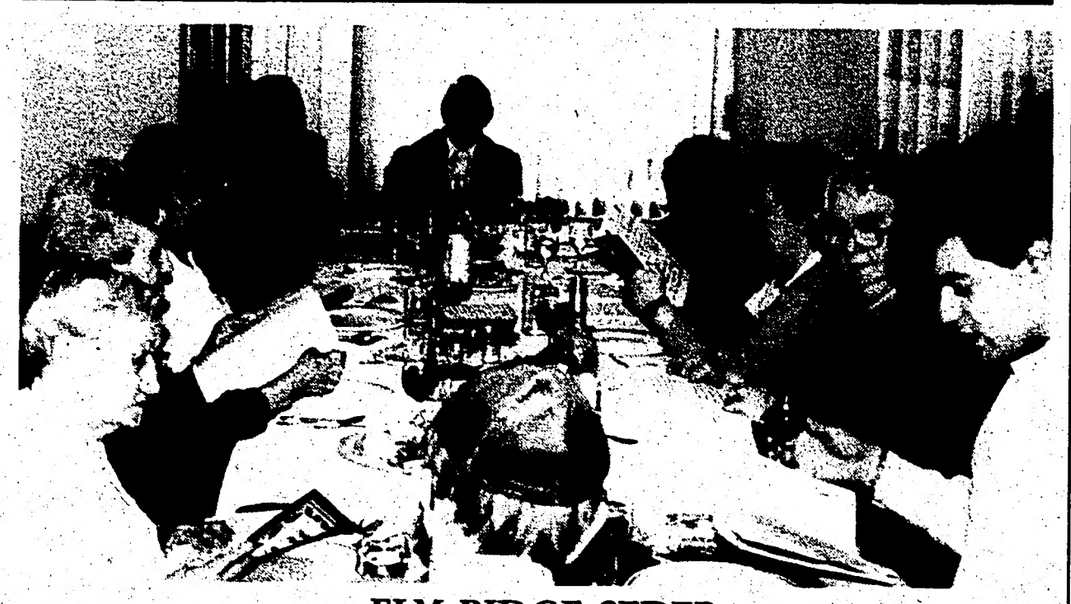

ELM RIDGE SEDER

Attending a first annual seder at Elm Ridge Living Residence were (from left) Esther Glass, Esther Palter, Marsha Nissen, Tina Prinz, Keve Ladowsky, Doris Lipson, Mary Ernest, Rose Rifkind, Rob Shapiro, Charlie Gelber. The seder was hosted by B'nai Brith Attideynu Lodge members Lydia Attar, 3rd vice-president; Rob Shapiro, president; Shari Isenberg, 2nd vice-president; David Syna, past president; Debbie Syna, past president; Elise Rose, Michelle Attar, Jason Brown and Paul Brown provided music after the seder.

Organizations and People

What's New

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will take place at Camp Lakeland in Franklinville, N.Y., a kosher facility run by the Jewish Community Centre of Buffalo, May 29-31. Sponsored by the National Havurah Committee, the retreat will bring together Jews of many ages and backgrounds for a weekend of communal study, Shabbat celebration, recreation, workshops and children's program. Toronto area participants include **Rabbi David Weiss**, psychotherapist **Ruth Rohn, Paul Pascal** and **Hannah Brown**.

Singles, couples and families are invited to participate. For information, call **Peter Gold** at (416) 927-1796.

JF & CS SUMMER WORKSHOPS

Jewish Family & Child Service is offering the following workshops—

Parenting in the '90s — self-esteem, realistic expectations, discipline and communication plus parenting groups for school-aged children (6-9), pre-adolescents (10-13) and teenagers. Evening and daytime series available.

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For information about registration and fees, call **Pat Lieberman** at 638-7800, ext. 215.

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AIDS COMMITTEE

The AIDS Committee at Holy Blossom Temple is reaching out to anyone in the Jewish community who has a loved one who is HIV positive or has AIDS. A support group is starting for lovers, friends and all relatives of HIV positive people. Come and receive support from those who have walked in your shoes. Call in confidence **Cindy Hershon-Zackon** at 789-3291.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY REUNION

American college students who spent 1966-67 at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem on the American Student Program and were in Israel during the six Day war are holding a reunion to mark the group's 25th anniversary Sunday, May 31, Yom Yerushalayim, both in New York City and Jerusalem. For more information, contact **R. Lea Singer** at (202) 363-1832 in Washington DC.

DO YOU HAVE TIME TO SPARE?

Do you have time to spare? If "Yes", Baycrest Centre requires caring volunteers to work with cognitive impaired patients in a Friendly Visiting Program. Contact the Volunteer Department at 785-2850 now!

FISHERVILLE JR HIGH REUNION

Fisherville Junior High's 25th anniversary reunion May 29-30 will include memorabilia, open house, a dinner dance. For information, call 223-4720.

for seniors

Join the Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y branch's **Good Age Club** every Thursday from 2-4 p.m. for a variety of programs. The annual fee is $10 plus a $1 weekly charge. For information, call **Luni** at 924-6211.

At the **Wagman Centre**, a lecture on Hearing Health and You with **Reena Duchowny**, audiologist, Baycrest Centre, takes place Wednesday, May 27, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Register by May 26 by calling 789-5131, ext. 2267 (admission free for Wagman Centre members and residents, $2 for guests, to be paid at the door). Open to all seniors are drawing and painting classes with instructor **Elaine Sugar**, co-sponsored by North York Board of Education, on Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. Call **Janet Page** at 789-5131, ext. 2939. The series for bereaved older adults entitled Adjustments in Lifestyle continues Wednesday, May 27, at 2 p.m. with Put Pep in Your Step: The Role of Fitness in Your Future with **Dana Bach**. For registration and information, call **Paula David** at 789-5131, ext. 2271. (members free, guests $3 per session). The Tuesday evening program May 26 features **Helen Knight** and **Paul Mathew** from 7:30-8:30 (free of charge, community is welcome).

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club upcoming events include Mother's Day luncheon Monday, May 25, at 12:30 p.m. featuring **Lenka Lichtenberg**; Catskill trip to Homowack Hotel July 20-28; Art Park trips to see *Cabaret* July 30, and *West Side Story* Aug. 13 (reservations available); *Pygmalion* at Shaw Festival Oct. 28; two cruises — Fenelon Falls July 13 and Peterborough Locks Aug. 27. For information on all activities, call **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923. Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to Laniado Hospital in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

LZA Seniors Club announces that, due to unforseen circumstances, the trip to Western Canada has been canceled. Refunds will be available. A few seats are still available for the Catskill trip leaving July 26 and July 28. Also, register now for the Showboat Tour to the Thousand Islands Monday, Aug. 24. The Dance Group continues Tuesdays at 1 p.m. and the Cultural Discussion Group meets Tuesday mornings at 10. All activities take place at the Borochov Cultural Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. The next luncheon meeting, set for June 10, at 11:30 a.m. will be in celebration of Father's Day

Wagman Centre Self-Help Group, 55 years of age and over, meets every other Sunday to help each other deal with mourning and adjust to loss. The meetings provide a supportive environment where group members can share experiences and make new friends. The next meeting is May 24 from 1-2:30 p.m. in the library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. Group co-ordinator is **Toby Warsh**. For information, call **Paula David** at 789-5131, ext. 2271.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club is holding a dance with live band Sunday, May 24, from 7:30-10:30 p.m. ($3 members, $4 non-members); a movie Wednesday, May 27, at 2 p.m. (members free, $1 non-members); Father's Day dinner and dance Sunday, June 21 from 7-11 p.m. ($15 members, $18 non-members); trips to Niagara Falls June 16; Port Dalhousie July 7, and the Catskills at the Raleigh Hotel July 19-24 ($575 double occupancy, $665 single, Canadian funds); day trips for members only ($5). For details on all trips and activities, call 636-7856.

Join **Young at Heart Seniors** deluxe trip to the Catskills at the Pines Hotel (under New York state kashruth law) July 19-28. The price of $890 includes deluxe medical insurance along with many more goodies. Call **Helen** at 462-0258 from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or 635-6343 after 7 p.m.

Sunshine Seniors, 55 plus, invites you to a fun-filled season of day trips — Thursday, June 4, Milton, Ont., country western show and buffet lunch ($31); Thursday, June 18, Elora Gorge, St. Jacobs, lunch ($38); Thursday, June 25, shuffle off to Buffalo; Thursday, July 9, Muskoka Lakes at Aston Villa Resort, full-course lunch ($38); Thursday, July 16, Nottawasaga Inn, buffet lunch, antique and flea markets ($35). For information, call **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The 12th annual Health Fair presented by La'Briyut Wellness Centre Thursday, May 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., offers hands on displays, lectures, screening clinics, demonstrations, Job Fair, La'Briyut Cafe, sale in the Creative Living Shop,

Living With Hearing Challenges, a Wellness Centre educational program, presents a series of workshops led by **Brenda Vernon** from the Canadian Hearing Society. The dates are Wednesdays June 3, 10, 17 and 24 from 9-11 a.m. Register with **Sandra Haberman** at the Wellness desk or call 225-2112.

Lifelong Learning Institute's Literary Luncheon Monday, June 1, at 11:30 a.m. features **Sheldon and Judith Godfrey**, authors of *Burn This Gossip*, the true story of Canada's first Jewish MP, **George Benjamin**, 1857-63. The luncheon is open to the community. Charge is $5.50 members, $8.50 non-members (GST include).

The movie *Guys and Dolls* will be screened Sunday, May 24, at 2:30 p.m. Members free, $1 non-members.

Fay Kellerstein will present an afternoon filled with songs Wednesday, May 27, at 1:30 p.m. Charge is $2.50 members, $3.50 non-members.

at the JCC

The Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y branch's Summer Fun Camp has limited spaces available for ages 4½-10. The camp runs four 2-week sessions. For a brochure, call 924-6211.

New at Bloor Y is a youth gym for 10 to 18-year-olds on Sundays from 2-6 p.m. with activities such as basketball. volleyball and floor hockey. This is free to JCC members.

About People

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENT

Malka Rosenberg has been appointed race relations consultant to the Ontario Anti-Racism Secretariat, Ministry of Citizenship. She is a former assistant to **MPP Monte Kwinter.**

Malka Rosenberg

VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Among the 11 volunteers selected to receive a City of North York 1992 Volunteer of the Year Award were **Diane Bronstein** and **Gita Arnold**. **Mayor Mel Lastman** presented each of the volunteers with a Mayor's Medallion (the City's highest honor) and a City Scroll at a special presentation in North York Council during National Volunteer Week.

Bronstein, a founding member of the Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis, has taken an active role in its growth and progress for over 15 years. She is currently president of the North York chapter.

Arnold, president of National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto Section, has devoted more than 6,000 hours of volunteer services to the community over the past 31 years. One of her many volunteer endeavors was helping to pilot a head start program for 3 to 4-year-old children in North York.

WEBBER RE-ELECTED

At the 28th annual meeting held in Ottawa recently, the Council for Canadian Unity (CCU) re-elected **Harvey Webber** of Sydney as Nova Scotia president of that organization. As such, he will sit on the council's national executive.

Webber is an honorary fellow of the Hebrew University, a national vice-president of Canadian ORT and is on the board of directors, Tel Aviv University Canadian Associates. Together with his wife **Ethel**, he has established student loan funds at many universities in Israel.

Invested as a member of the Order of Canada in 1987, Webber has received many awards, among them the Weldon Law Award in 1990 and Distinguished Retailer of the Year in 1991.

Established in 1964, the CCU is a non-profit, non-partisan organization comprised of private citizens from all across Canada.

ONTARIO JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Judy Rebick has been appointed to the Ontario Judical Council for a period of three years. Currently president of the National Action Committee on the Status of Women, she is also director, special projects, with the Canadian Hearing Society. Rebick is bilingual and also conversant in American sign language.

The Ontario Judicial Council is responsible for considering all proposed appointments of provincially appointed judges and reporting to the attorney general, as well as receiving and investigating complaints against provincially appointed judges.

NURSERY TURNS 18

The Playtime Nursery at Beth Sholom Synagogue has been celebrating its chai year during its 1991-92 sessions. Established by co-chairmen Barbara and Phil Lev, the program provides a playgroup in a synagogue where parents must stay with their children, sharing parenting ideas, concerns and problems with other parents. The program is now held in the specially designed Teperman Nursery. At a recent party, presentations were made to the Levs (centre) pictured above with Elly Schimmer (left) and Mary Pearl (right), two dedicated co-ordinators.

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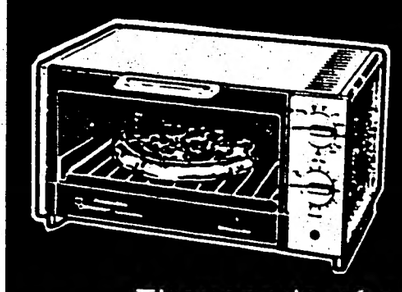

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Organizations and People

ICRF plans tennis weekend

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

For the third year in a row, supporters of the Israel Cancer Research Fund (ICRF) will gather for a northern Ontario version of a "Club Med-style" experience.

The "Tennis Plus Weekend," set for May 29-31 at Camp Manitou-Wabing, near Parry Sound, will feature tennis lessons and competitions, boating, volleyball, baseball, suntanning (if you dare) and an even broader variety of loafing pursuits.

It will also help raise as much as $20,000 for the ICRF, which supports scientific research at a number of Israeli academic institutions.

The weekend should attract about 200 participants, said ICRF spokesman Pearl Greenbaum. Tennis aficionados can get expert advice from pros to help improve their games and there are enough other activities to keep everyone occupied, she said.

Cost of the weekend program, an event sponsored by the Young Associates division of the ICRF, is $175 and a tax receipt will be issued "for the maximum amount allowable," Greenbaum said.

ICRF supporters won't have to wait long for the next Young Associates program. On June 18, a movie night will feature the film, *Falling Over Backwards*.

A Monte Carlo Night is on tap for late August and in late October or early November, the organization will hold its annual party and dance, which last year attracted more than 750 people.

Greenbaum said the Young Associates division of the ICRF has a mailing list of about 2,200, while there are another 800 annual supporters of the ICRF.

ICRF is a non-profit organization spanning North America that, since 1977, has given about 690 awards valued at $11.5 million to direct cancer research in Israel.

For fiscal 1991-92, ICRF in North America allocated $2.1 million to support 88 projects: one professorship, 64 fellowship/project grants (seven to former Soviet scientists who moved to Israel) and 23 career development awards.

The awards are determined by a scientific review panel. Among the research areas sponsored by ICRF in 1991-92 were: breast cancer, immune deficiency disease, immune systems, leukemias, bone marrow transplants and radiation therapy.

For more information about the tennis weekend or to make reservations, call (416) 487-5246.

Multicultural health promotion

VICTORIA —

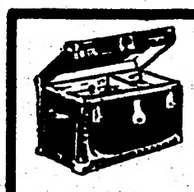
The British Columbia Health Research Foundation will spend $1 million on a research competition for multicultural health promotion and education research, B.C. Health Minister Elizabeth Cull has announced.

The money will come from the province's lottery fund and will be administered through the foundation.

Cull said projects funded in the competition may address a wide range of subjects, such as the impact of occupational, workplace issues and employment stability on health; or how racism and discrimination affect self-esteem and health in ethnocultural minorities.

BRONFMAN DONATES PLAYGROUND

Dr. Paul Garfinkle of the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry (right) presents a token of appreciation to Marsha Bronfman, while her husband, Edward Bronfman, looks on. The Bronfmans recently broke ground for the Edward M. Bronfman Family Foundation Playground, to be completed in about a month. The playground, which will meet the needs of children at the Clarke in an outdoor environment, will be located on the east corner of the institute. [Ron Csillag photo]



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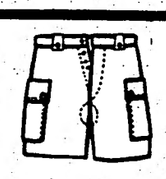

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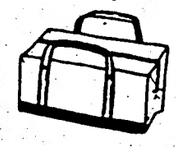

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Metro Toronto Singles presents our 2nd annual **Canada Day Summer Cruise** aboard the Tall Ship Empire Sandy. Wednesday, July 1st. Includes all you can eat dinner. **222-7111** for information. 10022

Toronto's Orthodox Singles presents a **Shevuos Weekend**, June 5-8 at The Rye Town Hilton (40 minutes from New York). For more information Sharon Ganz 785-0761, Ruth Balofsky 764-5833. 9681

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A donation will be made to The Children's Wish Foundation. 9868

Yom Yerushalayim-Games Evening
*Games Jewish Singles Play. Sunday, May 31. 7:30pm. Beth Torah, 47 Glenbrook (South of Lawrence, east off Dufferin). *Chutzpah, Trivial Pursuit, Scrabble, Bridge, Yuk-Yuk, Pictionary etc. Early Bird Bingo 7:30-8:00pm. Prizes. Refreshments. Admission $5.00. Information: Mollie 733-3634. 10053

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Organizations and People

Jewish gymnasts get medals

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Jewish kids vaulted, tumbled and leaped their way to top finishes at the recent Elite Ontario gymnastics championships in Collingwood, Ont.

Seventeen-year-old Bethany Dworkin, a veteran of the Maccabiah Games in Israel, led the way with a gold medal in the all-round competition (which encompasses six events) in the women's elite division.

Dworkin used first place showings in vault, beam and floor exercises, and a second in uneven bars, to spearhead her drive for the gold. She will lead the province's contingent to the Canadian championships in Quebec City, scheduled for May 12-18.

Bethany's sister Rebecca, 14, finished third in power tumbling in the national novice category and also qualified for the nationals while brother Seth, 11, finished first in power tumbling.

Ten-year-old Jeffrey Levine finished third all-round in the argo national division, snagging the silver medal in pommel and two bronzes in vault and high-bar.

Derek Abraham, 17, finished 11th out of 18 gymnasts in the provincial open category, competing against some athletes four years his senior. Abraham's best event was floor exercise, where he finished fifth. A sixth place finish in vault and an eight in parallel bars rounded out his top events.

Levine, along with Abraham, trains at the Vaughan Gymnastics Club in Concord. Other Jewish gymnasts who train at the club include Eitan Silberman, 9, and Jonathan Muskat, 10. Muskat finished third in a recent regional meet while Silberman captured fifth place in Metro Toronto's last regional meet, the club's head coach, Bob Carisse, said.

Jeffrey put in 20 hours a week over six days in the time leading up to the Elite Ontario competition, his mother, Jackie, said.

He got his start at the tender age of 3, when he was enrolled in kindergym. At 8, his coach recognized his talent and suggested he move from a recreational stream to a competitive one.

"He has a passion for gymnastics, you can't keep him out of the gym," Jackie said.

Prior to his strong finish at the Elite Ontario event, Jeffrey finished first all-round at the Ontario provincial championships last year.

He now competes at the national, elite level, as demonstrated by his gold medal performance in floor exercises at the Alberta Interprovincial Cup in March. He finished fifth all-round at that competition.

Jeffrey is "oozing with talent," Carisse said. Considering he's been involved in the sport only two years, his achievements are exceptional, he added.

Jeffrey is definitely interested in participating in the Maccabiah Games in Israel, Jackie said. That's something Bethany Dworkin is looking forward too as well, her mother, Harriet, said.

Bethany, who has accepted an athletic scholarship to Ohio State University, is already talking about competing in Israel next summer, she said.

At her last Maccabiah in Israel in 1989, she had an injured ankle and finished out of the medals. But at two biannual youth Maccabis, she captured gold.

If Bethany were a baseball player, you might call her "a natural." She gravitated to the sport at about 7 years of age. Her parents had just installed a swing set in the family's backyard and "instead of swinging, she'd hang upside down from the bars," her mother recalled.

Afraid that she'd fall and hurt herself, her parents decided to take her to the Winstonnettes Club in Markham so she'd learn how to handle herself properly. Coaches there immediately noticed her talent, even as a child.

Since then she's made a steady climb up the competitive gymnastics ladder and is now coached by Leonid Grakovsky, who also handles the Canadian Olympic team.

Bethany considered a shot at the Olympics, her mother said, but decided she couldn't tackle it while maintaining a strong academic showing at the same time. She was also worried about "burnout," and, without a spot assured, she decided to devote herself to academic studies, working towards a university scholarship, Harriet said.

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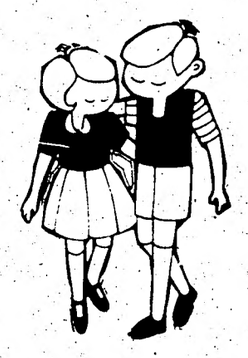

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Organizations and People

How to have a good fight

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

Psssssst. Wanna have a good fight with your spouse? If you missed Sarah Channa Radcliffe's recent talk on that subject, read this article before you let fly an artillery of dishes or a verbal harangue that's been building for weeks.

Radcliffe, a therapist, lecturer and teacher, presented a number of techniques "to help negotiate the healthy way" when she spoke at Congregation B'nai Torah to an audience of about 70 people. The lecture was a joint project of the shul's adult education committee and social action committee.

"Don't air your differences in front of friends, in-laws, parents, children, friends or sales clerks," advised Radcliffe. "It's a big transgression of Jewish law to embarrass anybody, particularly your partner in life."

Technique number two: don't interrupt. The speaker should be brief, and the listener should give feedback. If one partner goes on too long, Radcliffe suggests this reply: "I'm sorry. I want to respond to you, but you're going on so long I'm going to forget what I want to say. Could we summarize it here?"

Don't change the subject or counterattack. If your spouse accuses you of always being late, for example, "an appropriate answer is not 'Why can't you park your car in the right space?' or 'Why do you always have to nag me?' "

If you're on the receiving end of a counterattack, Radcliffe suggests you deflect it by saying, "Tell me about it another time. Right now we're talking about ...."

Speak quietly when you're negotiating, advised Radcliffe. "No negotiating occurs in a fit of hysteria."

After you make your point, suggest solutions. "Keep it short," said Radcliffe. "Nobody listens to a lecture. For difficult issues, keep it even shorter. Talk about it for 10 minutes, then have coffee and danish. It will take a little longer to work out if you give it 10 minutes a week, but you will preserve marital harmony."

One way of helping to keep the discussion short is to stick to issues and not bring personality into it. "Your spouse is late, and you think of him as being selfish, inconsiderate and self-centred. When you tell him what you think of him in terms of negative labels, first of all it's against Jewish law. Who cares why he was late? What's important is that you don't want him to be late."

Don't bring up past offences, cautioned Radcliffe. After three months, wipe the slate clean. This rule "is related to the use of the words 'never' and 'always'," which Radcliffe recommends avoiding.

If you're too upset to have a mature discussion, put it off until the next day, said Radcliffe. "An angry person is not there. A crying person is not there. You're not the same adult person."

Another technique that Radcliffe advises is to pause before you respond, especially to a provocative question. If you don't, your reply is more likely to be sarcastic or destructive.

If it's an area that's important, you might want to invite a counsellor to help, suggested Radcliffe. "If it's not important, you let it go." If your spouse accepts you with your faults, and is good in other ways, the problem may be perceived as less important.

A few final tips: be sincere, be solution oriented, don't be defensive. "Being defensive protects your ego in the short run, but it ruins your marriage and your happiness in the long run. Our spouse is our best friend, or could be."

Retired builder Sharp marks 90th birthday

TORONTO —

Max Sharp, retired Toronto builder, celebrates his 90th birthday May 3 with 350 family and close friends at the Inn on the Park, Toronto. The patriarch of the Sharp clan has four children, 19 grand children and 33 great grandchildren.

Sharp was born in Auschwitz, Poland in 1902. He moved to Palestine in 1920 where he helped pioneer the opening of "Delgania," Israel's first kibbutz. While in Delgania, he studied plastering and tiling in the construction industry which provided him with the skills to contribute to the building of Israel.

After moving to Toronto in 1925, Sharp started his own construction business. He was joined by his son, Isadore, in 1952, who later opened the first Four Seasons hotel in downtown Toronto in 1961.

Over the years Sharp has continued to contribute to the development of Israel with such gifts as a garden at the Weizmann Institute; a forest at Mount Scopus, a cafeteria in the Technion; student scholarships; ambulances for the Telaschmeer (now Sheba Hospital); and a hotel/condominium complex in Netanya (originally opened as a Four Seasons and was one of the frst hotels to be built there).

Negev honorees

His name was in the Jewish National Fund Golden Book before 1948 and in 1989 was chosen with his son, Isadore, as the honorees of the Negev Tribute Awards which honors Canadians who have demonstrated excellence in the community, leadership and service.

Sharp gets up at 5 a.m. every morning, does ½ hour of exercise, walks five miles around the Inn on the Park and is on his own personally-designed vegetable-based diet.

Family tree exhibit opens

WINNIPEG —

The Jewish Genealogical Institute of the Jewish Historical Society of Western Canada is sponsoring an exhibit of Jewish family trees and family history.

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TRAVEL TALK

By
LEN BUTCHER

It's Friday a.m. The beginning of a long weekend. My secretary **Bambi** is standing in the doorway to my office. A bikini that could fit into a shot glass dangles from her right hand. She smiles. "Ready **Butcher Man?**"

Oh, I'm sorry. I forgot for a minute that this is a travel column. Forgive the diversion, but there are more things in life than travel. If you don't agree, you should see **Bambi** in her bikini. But that's another story and one I will keep to myself.

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Okay, so you want me to get serious, or at least pretend to be. I would like to tell you more about my trip to **Israel** and a place that you should go and see next time there, which better be soon.

It's a kibbutz called **Kfar Charuv** on the southern ridge of the **Golan Heights** which offers a spectacular view of the **Sea of Galilee** and the **Jordan Valley.** This strategic spot above **Kibbutz Ein-Gev** made it a key base for the **Syrian** army from 1948 until their defeat in 1967.

When I arrived with my trusty guide, **Aviad Sar-Shalom** and driver **Avraham Cohen** we were met by **Joel Sheinfeld,** a native **New Yorker,** and **Earl Marans** of **Toronto.** Both men had come to **Kfar Charuv** just before the **Yom Kippur** war and have lived on the kibbutz ever since.

"There were 40 of us, from the **United States** and **Canada,** who first came out," said **Sheinfeld,** "and nine of the original group are still here."

Both men agreed life was tough and that living on a kibbutz is "not for everyone." They also both agree that the biggest plus is the quality of life. Says **Sheinfeld:** "I couldn't buy my kids the kind of bringing up that they get here." Adds **Marans:** "When my kids go out and play I don't have to worry that somebody is going to snatch them or harm them in any way. They're also not exposed to drugs or gangs."

But there is a downside. **Marans** says the hardest part is living with the same people all of the time. "You have to be a certain kind of person to live like this and overall, I enjoy it. Nobody forces you to stay."

Sheinfeld doesn't like the limitations on personal individuality that are created by kibbutz living. "All decisions are community decisions, so you don't have the individual freedoms you would have if you were in the same situation outside a kibbutz."

Marans works as an accountant on the kibbutz while **Sheinfeld** is in charge of tourism, which means trying to get more people to visit **Kfar Charuv.** What's interesting is that in the period of the Second Temple, there was a Jewish settlement on the site named **Kfar Charuv.** When it came under **Syrian** command, the name was changed to **Village of the Sword.** Following the '67 war, the name of **Kfar Charuv** was returned.

Despite its incredible view--the **Jordan Valley** below, **Tiberias** across the lake (Kinneret) and **Mount Tabor**--it is not an easy place to get to, says **Sheinfeld.** "It's a great location, but not an easy access. The main tourist routes are on the other side of the lake except for **Ein-Gev** which is directly below us."

They have had lots of ideas from people who have visited on how to increase tourism, including building an artificial ski slope and a cable car going down to the lake. "They're great ideas if you've got the money," says **Sheinfeld,** "but to build a cable car would take $4 million."

Today the kibbutz boasts a young population of 35 families with 108 kids (the oldest 14) as well as singles. They have a 500-head dairy herd and are the proud owners of the newest, most sophisticated milking machine in the world. The kibbutz also has a factory that manufactures irrigation parts which are sold world-wide and 800 acres of land where they grow grain, fruits and vegetables.

They also have four **Russian** olim families who will be staying for six months while they learn **Hebrew**. "It's working out well," says **Sheinfeld.** "They work and have a home and at the end of the six months they will make a decision on what they want to do. It was a little difficult at first because of the language, particularly for the parents, but compared to the **Russian** families in the cities, this is **Disneyland.** At least here they have a house, three meals a day and security. In the cities it seems to be every man for himself and it's tough on them."

As for the peace talks, **Sheinfeld** says every **Israeli** wants peace no matter what the rest of the world may think. "But we have to be secure. We can't give up a place like this to the **Syrians** knowing who the **Syrians** are. It's not in anyone's interest to fight another war. We don't want to as parents, but we can't give up something that will kill us."

Alaska Airlines marks its 60th year

By
HAROLD JACOBSON

TORONTO —

The two things that most Canadians think about when they hear the word Alaska is the TV series *Northern Exposure* and — an airline, new to Canada, that has been in existence a lot longer than the state whose name it bears.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the date when Linious Magee, an intrepid bush pilot, inaugurated a commercial flight between Anchorage and Bristol Bay aboard a single-engine, three-passenger, amphibious craft known as a Stinson.

Things have changed a great deal since those days of bush pilot exploits, limited navigational possibilities (before radio beacons pilots used rivers and dogsled over the rugged Alaska terrain to plot their flight paths) and landings on ice caps and other exotic terrain.

Douglas M. Weese, who has researched the history of this unusual airline, points out that from the beginning, Alaska Airlines incorporated the ruggedness, friendliness, individuality and quirkiness that characterize the state itself.

With a fleet soon to number nearly 80 modern B27s, B737s, MD-90s and B737-400s, Alaska Airlines now has its Eskimo Emblem flying not only up and down the west coast of the United States and Canada to 39 cities but has now expanded service to the Commonwealth of Independent States.

One of the most important additions to the airline's routes occurred last year when Alaska introduced a Los Angeles-Toronto non-stop service which features two flights a day each day during the early morning and early afternoon hours. It was the company's first regular scheduled flight crossing the Rocky Mountains.

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Historic re-enactments of military drills, circa 1812, can be seen at historic Fort McHenry, as this buccaneer demonstrates. [Paul Lungen photo]

Baltimore's old harbor a hub of modern city

By
PAUL LUNGEN

BALTIMORE —

Up at the northwest branch of the Patapsco River, wedged between one of the world's biggest bingo parlors and $6.99 all-you-can-eat roadside buffets, is the city of Baltimore, Maryland.

Unlike its neighbor to the south, Washington, D.C., with its foreign diplomats, congressmen, TV personalities, lobbyists and assorted paper-pushers and hangers-on, Baltimore is a blue-collar town that owes its origins to the shipbuilding trade and to the development brought by early railroads, like the famed Baltimore and Ohio (B & O).

The heart of the city was built around its inner harbor and now is an attractive mix of refurbished 19th century row houses and the glass and steel modernity of Harborplace, a mecca for shoppers, diners and people-watchers.

Built on the Inner Harbor is the marvelous National Aquarium, where big fish like sharks and rays glide through their little pond only an arm's length away from visitors, but safely behind walls of glass.

In the same complex is a huge tank for friendlier sea creatures like whales and dolphins, whose antics and perpetual smiles invariably draw oohs and aahs from children and adults alike.

Still in the harborfront area, visitors can tour warships both old and new. Docked alongside the aquarium is a World War II-vintage submarine, the *Torsk*, offering a glimpse of the close quarters U.S. submariners had to endure. Nearby is the elegant sailing vessel, the 18th century *U.S.S. Constellation*, a tallship with enough lines and cables to confuse all but the most seasoned seaman.

Continuing in the city's core area, a 10-minute water-taxi ride away, is Fell's Point, a street not unlike Toronto's Spadina with discount shops, restaurants, hotels (including the intriguingly named, The Admiral Fell Inn) and a square where you can watch weekend warriors dressed in 19th century uniforms pass muster. Fell's Point, with its eclectic collection of bars and restaurants, is also a great place for those who enjoy a pub-crawl.

The most recent addition to the city's urban landscape is the Oriole Ballpark at Camden Yards, the old/new baseball park that was designed to create a nostalgic feel for the pre-dome, pre-artificial turf era of baseball. Aficionados of the game have labelled the stadium a smashing success, with its brick construction materials and small, human scale that allows it to blend in with the surrounding neighborhood while paying homage to traditional ballparks.

Out in shallow centrefield, only a pop-fly away from homeplate, is one of America's greatest baseball landmarks. It was on that spot, if you allow your imagination to take you back to 1895, that George Herman Ruth, the "Babe," grew up in a house above his father's saloon. The ballpark is constructed over an old, working-class area of Baltimore and excavations during its construction proved the link between baseball in the 1990s and the game's greatest star.

Fans of the game can visit Babe Ruth House, where the Sultan of Swat was born, only a few blocks away from the ballpark at 216 Emory St. The museum is a shrine for fans and contains Orioles memorabilia and souvenirs dating back to the sport's early years.

Baltimore's Jewish community has had a presence in the city almost from its beginnings. Today, the city's Jewish population is estimated between 90,000-100,000, out of a total of 770,000.

The Jewish Historical Society (15 Lloyd Street) has on display, from May 17 to February 1993, an exhibit describing 200 years of Jewish life in Baltimore.

The Holocaust Memorial & Sculpture, erected in 1980, is located downtown at Gay and Lombard Streets.

Kosher restaurants abound on Reisterstown Road, while Park Heights Avenue is known as "synagogue row," with more than 20 shuls and temples found there — everything from "shtibels" to mega-shuls. Both streets are northwest of the city centre, in the direction of Owings Mills, where many families have moved in recent years.

A one-hour drive south of Baltimore is the state capital of Annapolis, famous for the military academy that turns out officers for the U.S. Navy and Marines.

On Sundays, you can enter the academy and view a typical, immaculately-kept room shared by two midshipmen.

At the centre of Annapolis is the handsome state house that overlooks the city from its highest point. It served as the U.S. capital from November 1783 to June 1784.

Israeli-Greek workshops wrap up

TORONTO —

The Israel Government Tourist Office / Greek National Tourist Organization cross-Canada workshops known as the "Pearls of the Mediterranean," recently wrapped up after directors for Canada, Evan Pezas (GNTO) and Yehuda Shen (IGTO) spent an exhausting 10 days on the road greeting agents, making presentations, co-ordinating trade shows with 30 exhibitors, and promising support.

Response this year was high in Winnipeg, the first seminar, 100 attended; in Calgary there were 125 participants; in Edmonton, 130; Vancouver, 275; Montreal, 300; and finally in Toronto, traditionally the largest workshop demographically, there were 345 people. This equals a total of 1,275 business cards exchanged and dinners consumed. And 2,550 eyes watched the new Greece/Israel video, while 2,550 ears listened to Israeli and Greek music.

Over 100 door prizes were awarded, including flight bags, bottles of wine and champagne, creams and salts from the Dead Sea, coffee-table books on Greece, ancient coins, suitcases, watches, long weekends in Jerusalem and cruises in the Greek Islands. The grand prize was a round trip flight from Toronto to Tel Aviv, business class.

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By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
The five-year-old Winnipeg Jewish Theatre has established an endowment trust, with the assistance of the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba, to ensure its long term funding needs. To date, the Winnipeg Jewish Theatre Endowment Trust has received $80,000 in pledges.

"Funding is a problem for all arts groups," says Izzy Peltz, chairman of the WJT committee looking into solutions for the theatre's long term needs. Although he notes the theatre has enjoyed strong public and corporate support — over $40,000 was raised last year through ticket sales, donations and corporate sponsorships — Peltz's committee is concerned about the long term.

"People move away or pass on," he notes. "The recession is hurting business. What happens if some of the support the theatre has enjoyed to this point falls away?"

Peltz and his committee of Babs Asper, Laurie Mainster, Joel Dudeck and Michael Werier are not planning any community-wide campaigns or fundraisers in competition with other fundraising events.

Support is being solicited informally on an individual basis through a "One Plus One" program. Supporters are being asked to match their regular contributions with a second to the endowment trust.

The maximum amount anyone will be asked to give is $12,500, a "unit," which can be paid off over five years. Based on an 8 percent return rate on investment, each unit should yield about $1,000 a year for the WJT's operations. Peltz notes all other contributions from $100 and up are welcomed.

The Winnipeg Jewish Theatre was established by Bev Aronovitch, its current artistic director. She felt Winnipeg was missing out culturally on what was happening in North American theatre because the city lacked the kind of Jewish theatre most other major North American Jewish communities have.

The WJT has become an important part of Winnipeg's mainstream arts and theatre community. It puts on two productions a year with top Broadway actors and/or directors and local talent.

Writing awards announced

TORONTO —
The book committee of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto has announced the 1992 Creative Writing Awards.

Molrley Torgov won the fiction award for his novel *St. Farb's Day* (Lester & Orpen, Dennys), the comical trials and tribulations of a Toronto real-estate lawyer.

Torgov, himself a practising Toronto attorney, is an internationally-recognized novelist whose works have been successfully filmed and dramatized.

The CBC sitcom series *Max Glick* was based on his best-selling 1982 novel *The Outside Chance of Maximilian Glick* (Lester & Orpen, Dennys). The film version, with the same title as the novel, won the Best Movie Award at the 1989 Toronto Film Festival.

The year's prize for poetry has been awarded to well-known Yiddish poet Sam Simchovitch for his first volume of English poetry, *Selected Poems* (Mosaic Press). These evocative poems are not translations of Simchovitch's Yiddish work, but completely original poetry in his adopted second language.

Prof. Adam Fuerstenberg, chairman of the book committee, said that these English poems "mark a remarkable transference of Simchovitch's great Yiddish poetical gifts (nurtured in Yiddish literature and shtetl culture of Eastern Europe) — to his new country and its language.

Prizes for rabbinical scholarship, Holocaust literature, literary scholarship, and Yiddish will be announced shortly.

Prizes include a monetary award.

All six awards will be presented to the winners at a festive evening on June 18 in the Conference Centre of the Lipa Green Building. Torgov will be the guest speaker. The public is invited and refreshments will be served. Admission is free.

Books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

The Diary of Sigmund Freud: 1929-1939 A Record of the Final Decade (Maxwell MacMillan Canada, $65.00)

In late 1929, when Sigmund Freud was 73, he began recording events in a private diary. This turned out to be the beginning of his final decade and a most tragic one for him and his fellow Jews.

When the Nazis burned his books in Germany, Freud made the wry observation, "what progress we are making; in the Middle Ages they would have burned me; nowadays, they are content with burning my books." One year later, however, the Nazis would have also burned his body, just as they sent to the gas chambers his four elderly sisters, who declined to leave Vienna with him. Storm troopers occupied his home, confiscated his possessions, money and books and arrested his beloved daughter Anna. The humiliation, the beatings and the nightmare of the concentration camp had begun for the Jews of Vienna. Freud thought he had no choice but to hold out to the end; but through the influence of Ambassador Bullitt, the United States government persuaded Hitler to allow Freud to leave with his family.

Freud concerned himself with the fact that he was a Jew not only in his analysis of himself but also in his struggle to free the psychoanalytic movement from being labelled a "Jewish affair." However, it was not until the last 10 years of his life, which coincided with the success of Nazism, that Freud undertook a thorough analysis of the causes of anti-Semitism, and of his ambivalence about being a Jew himself. The product of this combined effort was his last book, *Moses and Monotheism*.

Jewish leaders pleaded with Freud not to publish thebook, since it would further demoralize Jews in their hour of greatest trial. They took this position becasue Freud had set forth in his book the conclusion that Moses had not been a Jew at all, but Egyptian.

Freud had always admitted that he was weakest in his knowledge of the Bible; but the reason why he chose to disclaim Moses as a Jew is related to Freud's personal struggle with his own Jewishness. Evidently, Freud's unfounded theories about Moses are much more a portrayal of his own problems than they are a portrayal of Moses.

Before his self-analysis, in his middle years, there was little doubt that Freud suffered from Jewish self-hate.

1,000 or so diary entries consisting of only few words each are fleshed out by the editor who was research director of the Freud museum in London. He offers valuable background information on all aspects of Freud's life, including his agonizing struggle with cancer, the rise of Nazism in Austria, his increasing reliance on his daughter Anna, and the lives of his family and contemporaries during the 1930s.

A feature of this handsome, oversized volume are the hundreds of never published photographs from the collection of the Freud museum.

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Eye on Arts

Lenka Lichtenberg will replace Jenny Eisenstein as guest singer at the **Bernard Betel Centre's** fundraising concert on May 20 at 7 p.m.

The daughter of a concentration camp survivor, Lichtenberg was born and brought up in Prague, Czechoslovakia. She received formal vocal training and a bachelor of music degree at the Prague Music Conservatory.

Lichtenberg came to Canada 10 years ago. She spent the last two years in Toronto, now fully concentrating on the music of her roots. She sings in 12 languages, but mainly in Yiddish and Hebrew and accompanies herself on piano, keyboard or guitar.

For further information call Barbara Zigler at 225-2112.

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The Leah Posluns Theatre School presents *A Macbeth in a Post-Nuclear World* directed by Lewis Baumander running to May 24 at Leah Posluns Studio Theatre.

The play revolves around a group of young people, abandoned and left to their own devices who have to work out their own survival. They come across the play *Macbeth*

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Folksinger **Batsheva** appears May 26 and 27 at the Free Times Cafe, 320 College St.

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Guest musicians will be Laura Cesar from the Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band, Anne Lederman and Rob Piltch. They will join Batsheva in Ladino, Yiddish, English and Hebrew in the concert.

Proceeds from the May 26 performance go to Danica House for women recovering from incest and childhood sexual abuse.

Batsheva will go to New York in June to participate with seven international artists on a Yiddish album by Broadway producer Zalmen Mlotek.

The show begins at 8 p.m. Reservations will be accepted for the dinner and show package only. The phone number is 967-1078.

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The noted Toronto impressario **Chaim Avron** is bringing The Stars of the Ester Rachel Kaminska Jewish Theatre of Warsaw to Toronto for five performances of *The Joys of Yiddish* at the Leah Posluns Theatre from June 13-17.

Described as musical nostalgia, the show stars Szymon Szurmiej, Golda Tencer, Henryk Rajfer, Alina Swidowska and Juliusz Berger with the Teresa Wronska Klezmer Trio.

The show is under the patronage of Andrzej Sicinski, minister of culture of the Republic of Poland.

For further information call 787-8196.

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Theatre Plus Toronto will present *The Goodbye People* from May 28 to June 20. *The Goodbye People* follows three people as they come together in their search for happiness: the wily old Max Silverman, his spirited but confused daughter Shirley and Arthur, an amiable sunrise-watcher.

Special matinee previews begin May 18 with evening previews opening May 23.

All performances are at the St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E.

For tickets call 366-7723.

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The Windsor Jewish Community Centre Chorale will present *Rozhinkes Mit Mandlen* a Yiddish cantata with English narration by Avrom Goldfaden on June 14 at the Windsor JCC, 1641 Ouellette Ave.

The program will also include English, Yiddish and Hebrew folksongs with guest artist Cantor Louis Danto and soloist Tracey Atin.

The cantata is a medley of Goldfaden's world famous melodies. He is known as the father of Yiddish theatre. Travelling from village to village, with his small performing ensembles, he would encourage his audiences to strive for recognition and better life styles.

Goldfaden composed hundreds of melodies depicting the honor, love and struggle to survive the difficult times of the Jewish people. His operettas and playlets have been performed throughout the world.

The Windsor program, set to begin at 1:30 p.m., honors Goldfaden's memory and celebrates his 100th birthday.

For more information call (519) 973-1772.

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A photo contest, jointly run by the *Jerusalem Post*, marking its 60th anniversary, and the International Forum for Jerusalem, was launched at the Israel Convention '92.

First prize, commemorating Zeev Alexandrowicz, a local amateur photographer is $5,000.

The objective of the contest is to discover new visions and exposing new angles in the photography of the Holy City.

The winning 60 photos will be exhibited in the fall. The deadline for participation is July 1.

Entries in color or black and white should be sent to P.O.B. 6771, Tel Aviv 61067.

The contest is open to both professionals and amateurs and envelopes should be marked P or A accordingly.

Mekalat Reena choir dazzles in concert

By
RANDI DRUZIN

TORONTO —

For there they that carried us away captive required of us a song; and they that wasted us required of us mirth, saying, Sing us one of the songs of Zion.
Psalms 137:1-6

And sing they did.

Fifteen young adults dazzled an audience at Beth Tikvah Synagogue recently, in an hour-long concert aptly titled The Spirit of Youth.

Under the direction of conductor Marilyn Birenbaum, the Makhelat Reena Choir sang over 15 songs, celebrating Jewish holidays, Yiddishkeit and the joy of day-to-day living. The choir was accompanied by the ESA String Quartet on several pieces.

Rehearses Monday nights

The choir's repertoire included Hebrew songs such as *U'vyom, Hashabbat Sim Shalom* and *N'aritzcha* and Yiddish songs such as *Zug Zug Zug* and *Gut Shabbes*.

Particularly memorable were the renditions of some popular English-language songs. Chorister Lisa Borden sang *The Rose* (made popular by Bette Midler), Paul Sharpe and Lizzie Kurtz sang *Heart Full of Love* from *Les Miserables* and Kurtz sang the Andrew Lloyd Webber song, *Memories*.

The choir, which consists of students between 15 and 24 years of age, rehearses for two hours every Monday night.

The group sang two Chanukah songs, the first of which, *Al Hanissim*, benefited from the accompaniment of chorister Daphna Wunch's saxophone.

Birenbaum acknowledged the 500th year anniversary of the Jews' expulsion from Spain by including two Sephardi songs in the performance, one of which was sung by Cantor Efraim Sapir.

All members of the choir and the string quartet donned shades (sunglasses) for an up-tempo. jazzy version of *I Had a Little Dreidel*, and then closed with *Lo Yisa Goy*, a song of peace.

The performers received a warm round of applause and Birenbaum received a standing ovation for her efforts.

"This is truly wonderful," she told the audience, adding that the nine months of preparation that went into the performance were "like the nine months before child birth."

The choir has performed at Earl Bales park and the Wagman Centre. Its next performance will be at Adath Israel Synagogue on June 1.

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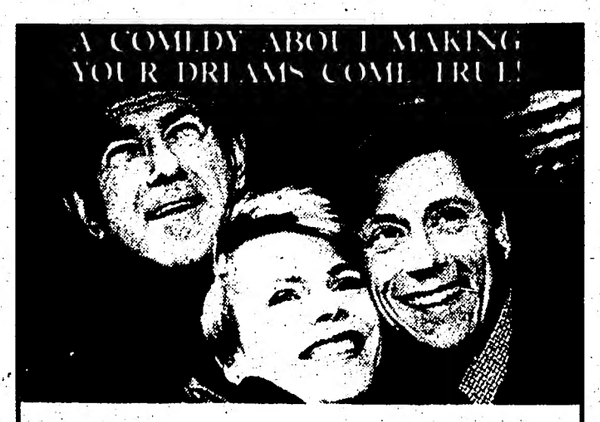

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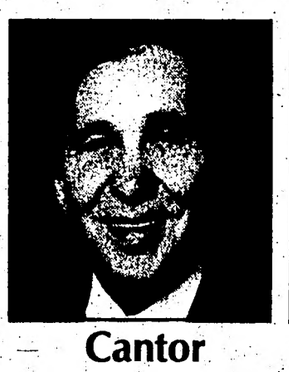

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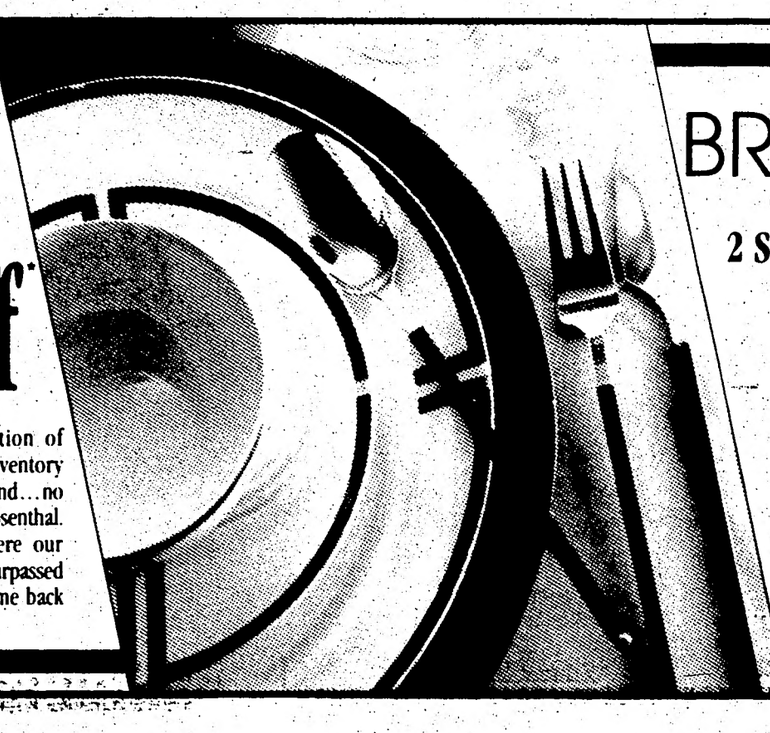

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By
RUTH SCHWEITZER

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This year's bathing suits are accented with gold and silver. Some have been trimmed with gold and others make use of silver overlays to highlight colorful prints.

The stock Taylor carries includes the Gottex line, made in Israel, Speedo and Jantzen. Her 3500-square-foot store is filled with nothing but swim and sunwear for men, women and children.

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By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Looking for comfortable yet functional fashion for the top of the noggin this summer? Effie Xynnis, owner of Margo's Custom Hats, says that hats are available in many different sizes, shapes and colors for the season.

Topping the list are three main styles — the Mad Hatter, the Mushroom Hat and the Upside Down Saucer but hot on the heels of these popular shapes is the romantic big summer hat.

Xynnis points out that the floppy large brimmed straw hats are not the way to go this year. Instead, hat wearers will find that brims are structured and finished.

Another strong trend is the dressing up of brims — with flowers, feathers and gross grain ribbon — to ensure the hat will match a number of outfits.

She says the dressier cocktail hats that can be worn for special occasions such as weddings are studded with anything from flowers to rhinestones.

As far as the fabrics are concerned, Xynnis adds that along with the natural straw (she prides herself on her English straws that are fine woven and almost silk-like), materials such as mohair, silk, satin and organza are used.

While floral and other patterns have seemingly inundated the fashion industry, this trend has not been carried through in millinery.

Xynnis points out that while this summer's jazzy patterned baseball caps are admired, the style is not suitable for all her customers. In fact, Canadians are reluctant to spend money on patterned hats as they prefer the more traditional solid shaded hats that can be worn time and time again.

Margo's Custom Hats offers a variety of styles, sizes and shapes.

Colors that seem to be the most sought after include deep shades of black, white, cream, navy, fuchsia, red, gold and pink.

Xynnis says there is a hat for everyone. However, she adds that those people who believe hats do not suit their faces have been turned off because they have been matched with the wrong style. Xynnis says she can change their perception with her one-on-one consultation.

In addition, although she carries a large selection of ready-made styles in the store, she prides herself on her custom designing skills. Xynnis is happy to accommodate all — whether it's a hat that is needed in a different size, or an outfit that has to be matched or a specific style that needs to be altered to cater to a client's taste, it can all be done.

"A hat is a good investment because its something you can keep forever," she says.

Mature figure fashions

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

Traditions is a dress salon aimed exclusively at fitting the mature figure. Owner Margo Oborne says she realized the problems seniors had buying clothes when she was trying to outfit her own mother. "There were small buttons down the back where my mother couldn't reach, zippers in the wrong places and dresses that fit too snugly. I just knew something had to be done about it."

What she did was poll over 200 women, asking them what they would like to see in a garment. The result was a store chock full of pieces that suit the mature figure perfectly.

She says that most important is to find garments that have big, easy-to-handle buttons as well as steep openings so women can step into a dress instead of pulling it over her head. If buttons are a problem altogether, any garment can be made with a velcro fastening. "Also, many seniors are not happy with short sleeves so we've made our short sleeves elbow length and many of our summer outfits have long sleeves."

Oborne says that most seniors are happier with a loose fitting garment so she designs dresses that can be worn loose with a separate belt for waist definition. "We do make sure however, that the dress does look nice unbelted."

She adds that because a lot of seniors look for higher necked garments, many dresses and blouses have necklines that can be done right up to the top and some garments come with matching scarves to fill in the neckline. Pants, says Oborne, have elastic waists and are cut longer

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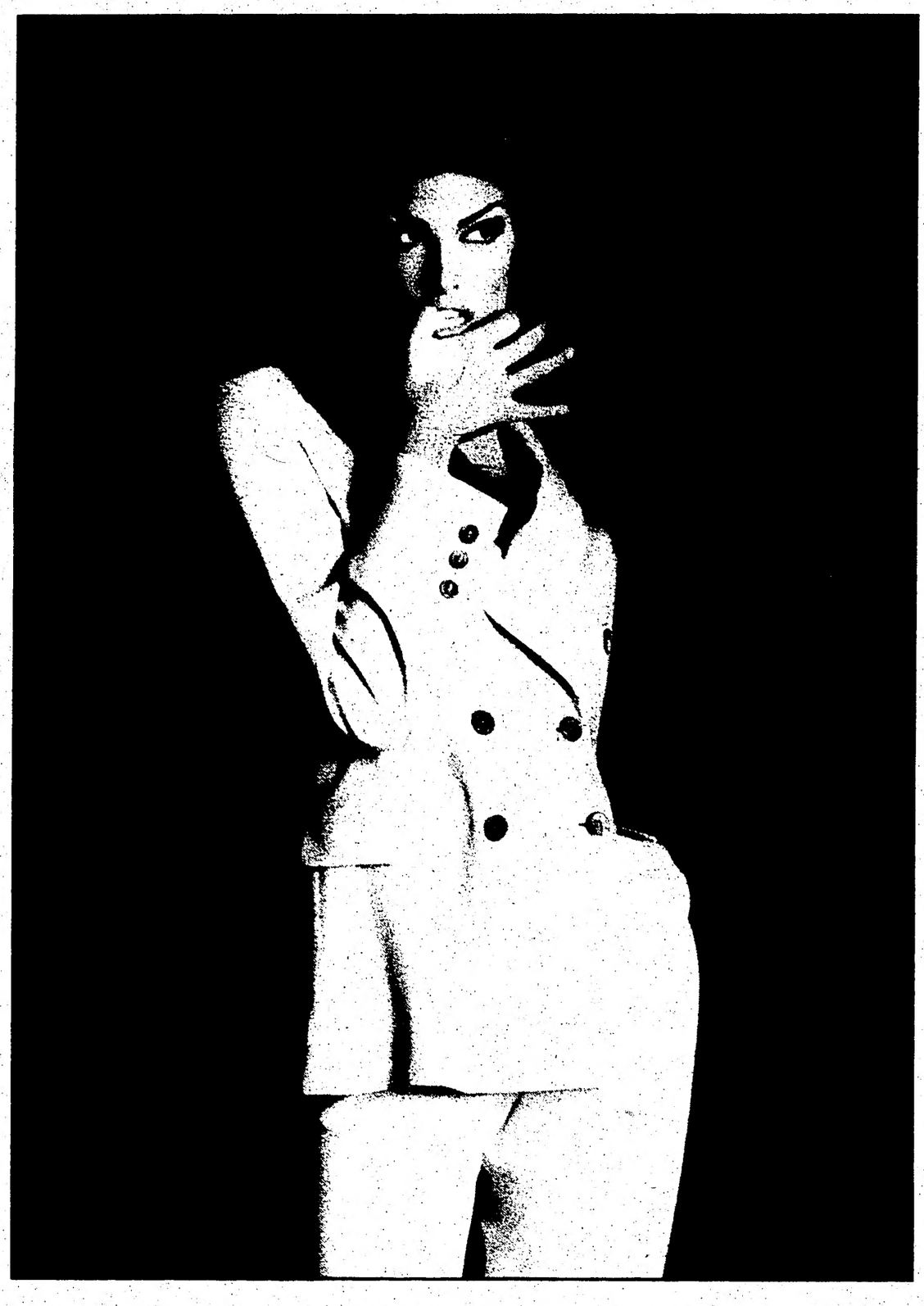

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Funk-tional summer sandals

By
MARLA KAY

I never really feel summer has truly arrived until the day comes when I can kick off my shoes and socks and slide my feet into some cool sandals.

"This year, sandals are a 'hot' item in your summer wardrobe," according to Sandy Galet and Corrine Lissoos, owners of Solemates, the Canadian distributor for sandals manufactured by Kibbutz Naot Mordechai in Galil, Israel.

Comfort and proper support for your feet are their number one priority at Solemates. The trademark of the Naot Mordechai sandal is a contoured cork foot bed, which takes on the impression of your foot. There is no breaking in period with these sandals, they are absolutely comfortable from the moment you put them on. "It really feels like a footprint in the sand," adds Galet.

Solemates sandals offer both comfort and proper support.

This season, Solemates are back to basics. Their sandals have a natural earthy look and are now using nubuck leather. This is a leather with a nap surface. It has the sturdiness of full grain with a softer appearance and the feel and texture is wonderful.

"Our summer sandals are more streamlined," says Lissoos. "They have a less clunky look. The foot bed is not quite as broad. They will definitely slenderize a wide foot. They are not just to be worn with jeans anymore. They look beautiful with walking short, skirts and dresses."

Their newest summer colors of cranberry, teal blue, forest green and even purple have really taken off. You will, of course, still be able to find their traditional colors of taupe, redwood, chocolate brown and blue-black in all of their styles.

"Our sandals for summer," says Jennifer Yamamoto, marketing director for Town Shoes, "have taken on three major influences. More feminine dressing has taken women's clothing out of the bedroom and into the boardroom. Women are showing more skin everywhere, including their feet."

To accent this "bare-all" influence, Town Shoes has introduced a new strappy sandal. These shoes have thin spaghetti straps with much more foot showing and offer all heel lengths.

Another influence this season is Western. "These sandals are usually more choked up," says Yamamoto. "They are a little heavier. The straps and soles are thicker and they have stacked heels. They are composed of natural and woven leathers. They are in earthy tones and colors and are very comfortable to wear.

The third influence that is hot for this season, is Retro. This year's women's spring and summer fashion collections were heavily influenced by the 40s and 60s and so were the shoes. Platforms are back. These sandals are heavier soled with a heel height generally up to three inches.

"Our bright colors are explosive," says Yamamoto. "Emerald, fuscia and marigold. We are utilizing metallics with prints or melanges. We are showing lots of metallic ornaments, jewels, stones and studs in all shapes and sizes."

The Naot Mordechai sandal is available at Capezio, Browns, Feet First, Sunshines, Coro and now at selected shoe stores across Canada.

Town Shoe stores are in major malls right across Canada.

If the shoe fits...

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

If the shoe fits, wear it, but when it comes to buying children's shoes, only if it fits well. According to Cathy Williams of Adrian Shoes, proper fit is "of the utmost importance when buying shoes for a child. They must have good support, and especially for very young children, the backs must be firm. No shoe should be bought before taking accurate measurements."

She says that parents should not have a particular shoe in mind when they come into the store because that shoe may not be a good fit. "The best way to go about buying shoes for a young child is to have them measured first. Then, the salesperson can determine what shoes fit best. Children can be very disappointed if they had been looking forward to a certain shoe only to discover it does not fit. Try to steer them away from picking shoes until they have a choice of ones that fit properly."

Williams says that the traditional high-top leather shoes for babies are not necessarily the only choice. "Yes, they're great shoes and do offer good support but certain running shoes can also be good for a child's first shoe. Again the salesperson is the best person to determine, within your budget, the best shoe for your child."

Cathy Poirer, a salesperson with The Little Shoe Palace, says that parents should have their children's shoes checked every three months or so. "Don't wait until your child complains that her feet hurt. The shoes have probably been small for a while by the time they complain. Make sure their toes are not cramped and if you cannot tell, bring them into the store. The salesperson will know whether a new pair is needed."

She says that flexibility is the key when buying children's shoes. "Some runing shoes may be too stiff and for the child to walk properly the shoes must bend with the foot. Soft leather runners are great and some canvas shoes are flexible enough. Trust your salesperson to guide you towards the perfect shoe for your child."

As for this season's trends, Williams says that teens can't get enough of the black tie oxford. "They look great with pants or with a skirt and knee socks. The best thing about them is that they are a good support shoe. Parents can't even complain," she laughs.

She says that many girls are still looking for black patent shoes for dress, but canvas runners are by far the most popular. "They now come in a variety of colors and in a choice of velcro or laces. Some are so pretty they look like party shoes. For little girls, a pastel flower print runner with a strap across the foot actually can double for a party shoe."

Boys, says Williams, buy a lot of black runners so that they can also double for dress shoes. "For the last couple of years, boys have been wearing these black runners for good and at an initial glance they look like dress shoes. It's not until one notices the rubber soles that it is apparent that they are running shoes."

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Top togs for tots

By
MARLA KAY

If we were to use last summer's temperatures as an indicator of this summer's kids' fashion, then Ts and shorts are where it's at. Kids want to be at their coolest when the heat is on.

"Prints are hot, blanks are not," says Neil Rosenberg and David Coven, owners of Kids & Co., the everything store for kids. "Children have to want to wear what you buy for them or else it will sit in a drawer and collect dust. The more fun the item, the better it is."

This season in summer funwear, licensed garments are very big. For girls, Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, *101 Dalmations* and *The Little Mermaid* are very popular in T-shirts, short sets, bathing suits, sundresses and nightwear. Boys are still into superheros and sports figures, but once the long awaited *Batman* sequel is released in June, that's all the boys will be wearing.

"In our girls' department, brights and florals are everywhere," says Rosenberg. "Prints are splashed across every garment. Animals, fruits, dots and checks add contrast or co-ordinate with a matching item. The girls are thrilled with our new printed animal shortalls. Leggings, swing tops, skegging sets and anything with a lace trim is still the rage."

For the boys, Kids & Co. is emphsizing every kind of garment wash. Pigment-dyed canvas and caustic wash in Ts, tanks and shorts are durable and comfortable. "Boys are no longer requesting the loud neons of last season," adds Coven. "They want colors that are symbolized with their favorite sports teams. Blue/white for the Blue Jays and black/red for the Chicago Bulls. Sport hats and jackets are also hot items that don't stay on the racks very long."

The prime directive in children's clothing is to have garments that kids enjoy wearing as well as provide value and durability so that the parents are satisfied also.

Just as fun prints and explosive colors are important to kids, so is sophistication. At La Coccinelle, Boutique D'Enfants, owner Marlene Ramsay feels that "there are times when children want to escape the "cutesy" and look good.

At La Coccinelle, you will find carefully chosen European and North American designer collections for children, with the emphasis on quality, styling and value. "We do very little separates," says Ramsay. "I much prefer to have everything co-ordinated. It is preferable from the customer's point of view, to see an entire grouping. It makes purchasing decisions much easier.

This season, La Coccinelle is featuring lots of bold, splashy colors like fuscias, greens, citron, kiwi and papaya. Large designs are incorporated and silhouettes are slim and stretchy. Some of the collections encompass a mix of rural influences and maritime motifs with colors ranging from straw to ocean blue to navy blue, as well as sporty, in stripes, checks and pop-art patterns with coloring ranging from terra cotta and sand tones to red and black.

"For girls," says Ramsay, "lots of cotton knits. Draw-string waists are new and very comfortable. Shorts come in a variety of lengths, but the most important item again this summer is the T-shirt. Girls will be sporting dressier T-shirts with embroidery, studs, ornaments and hand-painting, as well as exotic jungle prints of zebras, lions and stylized bears.

"For the boys, long cotton sheeting printed shorts with co-ordinating T-shirts. The draw-string waists are stressed for easy fitting. We are also carrying fleece jackets and sweat tops, which co-ordinate with the matching Ts."

La Coccinelle, Boutique D'Enfants is located at 577 Mount Pleasant Rd. in Toronto.

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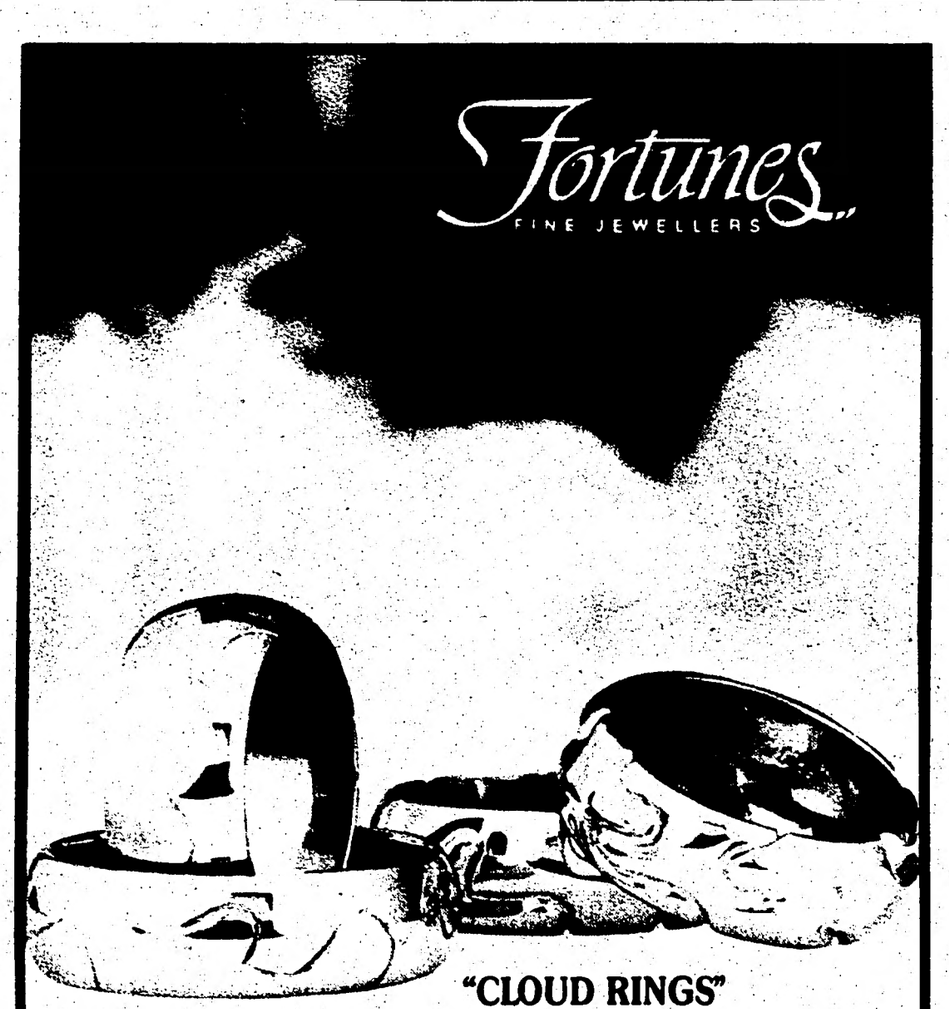

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Hoop & charm

Hot jewelry trends have colored stones

By STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

As an overall trend colored stones are the top of the market in the jewelry industry, says Michael daCosta of Fortunes, a jewelry store in Toronto.

"People talk about rubies, emeralds and sapphires but there is another pile of stones that are not as well known. Mixing colors and metals in the same piece is now the rage," he says, adding that colored stones are his personal love.

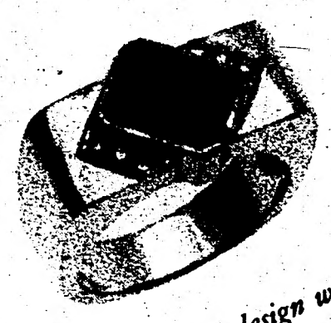
Next to these pieces, daCosta says that earrings are the fastest moving items in his store.

He decribes the current hoop and pendant craze as "hot".

The base of these earrings is a hoop that is available in a variety of metals. Customers then have their choice of what charms they want add to the hoop.

daCosta says that the versatility of the earring makes them popular as people are looking for wearability in jewelry.

Along those same lines, daCosta has designed a choker-style necklace that employs the same idea. For the necklace, there is a centrepiece that is detachable. Again, this leaves the choice of the centrepiece up to the client and ensures many different looks.



Fortunes does custom-design work.

As far as buying trends are concerned, daCosta says that people are looking for quality pieces.

"People think nothing of spending big bucks on a suit and three years from now they won't be wearing it. But, when they put money into jewelry, it is something that they will wear forever," he says, adding that some sentiment is usually associated with the piece.

Fortunes has been in business for the past six years. daCosta prides himself on the fact that his operation can design and manufacture right on the premises, and therefore, custom orders are possible.

Vicky Goldhart and partner Lisa Rosenberg of Vicky's, agree with daCosta that the hoop and charm combination for earrings is one of the more popular trends.

Goldhart has also found that many of her clients are attracted to antique watches and vintage jewelry. While she adds that the vintage pieces are not necessarily antiques, they are from the '40s and '50s.

Another trend that seems to have caught on concerns amber. Goldhart says that while the stone has been around for over one million years, it is now starting to gain in popularity.

Goldhart also pointed to an Italian line she carries in the store. She adds that her clients are attracted to the line because they are "fabulous fakes". They like the look without the price-tag, she says.

Marcasite is another hot item. Goldhart describes these pieces as a hematite — small cut stones that are faceted into sterling.

Vicky's has been in business for the past 21 years. Goldhart adds that she carries pieces from all over the world; each piece is hand selected.

Be rich in Ragz

By RANDI DRUZIN

Be sure to dress up when dressing down this summer. Ragz Incorporated offers a variety of snazzy summer clothing for water sport activists and for those of us who are less active, but equally anxious to enjoy the summer sun.

Ragz manufactures and distributes everything from lifeguard pants, to six-foot round beach towels, to baseball hats and visors, but its most popular item is the pull-over, a water-absorbent, rayon cover-up to wear on the beach or by the pool.

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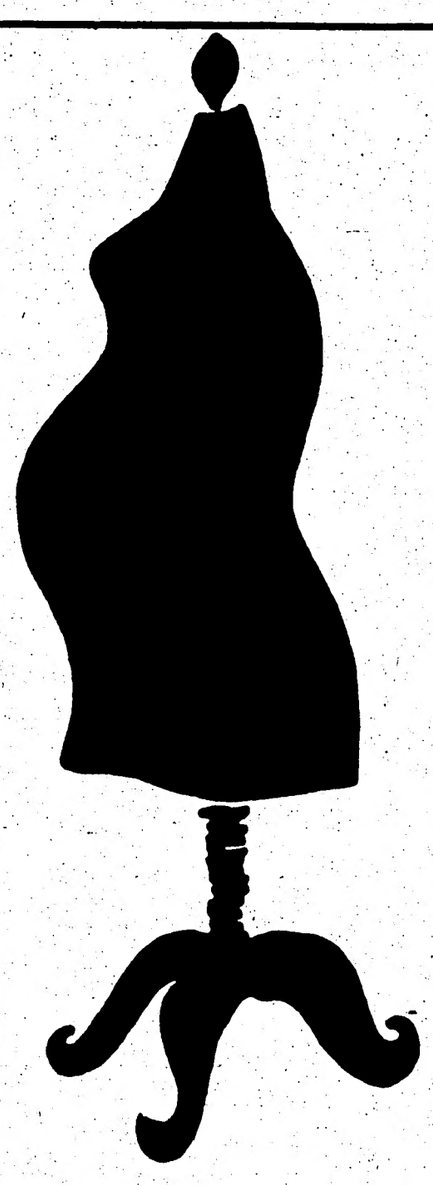

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Multi-purpose casual wear

By
RUTH SCHWEITZER

For spring and summer there will be a trend toward crossover dressing — wearing a jacket for instance that crosses into daytime, nighttime or the weekend, says Winners' sportswear buyer Susie Uguccioni. A work jacket teamed up with a miniskirt or jeans makes the transition into evening and weekends.

The jacket has grown longer this season, and one can be combined with a short skirt to create a long-over-short silhouette. A bright oversized tunic with a mini creates the same effect. "A flattering silhouette," Uguccioni points out.

Tunics can also be co-ordinated with leggings and stirrup pants, two items still big this season. As the weather gets warmer, capri pants and snug biker shorts will stage comebacks.

For casual wear cottons remain mainstays for the warm weather. Winners carries short pull-on skirts, pull-on pants and oversized tops in cashmere cotton, a jersey type knit. The chain also features comfortable clothing in cotton lycra. "It is a staple in every woman's wardrobe," said Uguccioni.

She says bright colors — fuchsia, purple, kelly green, orange, bright yellow, coral and turquoise — are fashionable this spring and summer. However, black is still important, and black and white influences linger. As summer approaches, white begins making headway. She added that blues and greens in combination would be strong this summer.

All kinds of prints, such as gingham checks, plaids, madras and men's wear novelties like houndstooth, add excitement to the warmer months this year. Printed denim is another trend.

Jeans dyed in maize-gold, fuchsia and copper color, with matching silk blouses, are another look for the spring and summer. Some of the silks at Winners, including blouses and bomber jackets, have been sand-washed to soften them.

Again this year Winners carries walking shorts since they are still a key fashion item. The stores have a new shorter short — the tap short — for the junior customer.

As far as the casual dress goes, the tank dress takes centre stage. "Chanel is still very much an influence," says Uguccioni of the classic sleeveless sheath-style dress.

Winners' tank dresses come in solid colors and assorted prints. A jacket worn over a tank dress will be another summer fashion highlight. With the jacket on, the outfit is office wear, but take off the blazer and it becomes casual wear.

Selma Rotman, vice-president of marketing at Winners, reports that the recession "is really good for Winners.

"There are more people looking for the best deal. Everyone is very bargain conscious," she says. "They're looking for the best value they can get."

"Denim is in again," says Carol Gold of Jeans n' Things. For summer she carries chambray, a lightweight denim, as well as other natural fabrics, among them canvas and twill.

She, too, predicts that walking shorts will be big for summer. "We're showing lots of shorts in twills and canvases. They come in mauve, different blues — bright blues, navy — black and natural."

She notes that there is a trend to prints in shirts, especially flower prints. She also says fitted casual wear — short-cropped T-shirts and tank tops with studs and designs — will be on the summer fashion scene. She continues showing the ever popular leggings to her customers. For spring and summer she has printed ones, with long loose-fitting tops in mauve, pink and yellow.

Skorts by designer Carol Little in red, black and royal blue prints, with matching printed jackets and shirts, make up Gold's silk collection.

Sizes at Jeans n' Things range from very small to oversize. "We specialize in fitting people in something they look proper in," she says.

She carries Buffalo jeans, fashion jeans in light and dark colored washes made in Canada. "An excellent fit for ladies and available in men's sizes, too," says Gold.

Winners' offers garments that can be teamed with casual or dressy items to make up different outfits.

Jeans n' Things stocks jeans by Oates, a company Gold describes as "a little different." She has an Oates denim short with a cutout design of a flower surrounded by black embroidery. Cutouts are new this year, she says.

Like many other merchants, Gold has been affected by the recession. "If people see something they like, they buy it," she observes. "But people aren't buying the quantities they used to.

"I think you have to give people a reason to buy, you have to make it exciting for them, then they will buy."

Casual shoes for summer

By
RANDI DRUZIN

Casual shoes in striking colors are hot items this spring.

Women are stepping into casual and semi-dress shoes rather than classic dress shoes this season, agree Morry Schwartz of David's Footwear and Eugene Opler of Opler E L Shoes.

Closed-toe, open-back styles are popular items at both stores, as are flats and shoes with half-inch to one-inch heels.

"Casual, comfortable footwear is definitely popular this season," says Opler, adding that his staff has sold a lot of slip-ons and moccasins.

"Women are buying casual shoes because they're dressing very casually," he explains. "They're looking for shoes to wear with stretch tights and stirrups."

Whether they're canvas or silk, this season's shoes come in every color under the sun.

"We've stocked many colors this spring," says Schwartz. "We have shoes in kelly green, fuchsia and bright red." Though, he adds, David's still carries shoes in more traditional colors such as black, navy blue and tan.

Difficult economic times have made women fussier shoppers, so both David's Footwear on Bloor Street and Opler E L Shoes in Bayview Village are offering bargains through special sales.

"Sales are slower than what we'd like," concedes Opler, "but we're optimistic."

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Summer Fashion

Retailers show the latest in men's suitings

By
BRUCE PARKINSON

One positive effect of a recession is that it often turns people into smarter shoppers. When there's less money to spend, there's usually more thought put into a purchase.

Representatives of two Toronto men's wear retailers agree that men are looking to spend less money on their clothing needs, but the concept of value is high in their minds.

"There's no doubt that he's buying less," says Meyer Katz, president of Grant Mackenzies, a men's wear store located at 100 Steeles Ave. West in Thornhill.

"The old days of feeling like a change is gone. People are replacing clothing when they need to . But men know a little more about what they're buying. The concept of the '90s is that men want value and quality — they're not just buzz words any longer," Katz says.

Brian Prosserman, who works for Moore's The Suit People, agrees that men are in search of both value and quality. "People don't spend as much today, but they would still rather pay a few dollars more for quality.

A major change in men's suitings this spring and summer is a shift of hue. There's a move away from the olives, khakis, mustards and earth tones that have been prevalent in the past couple of years.

Grant Mackenzies general manager, Gordon Shibuya, advises men not to worry about the green shades that have so successfully penetrated the market. While the palette is shifting, green tones are not looked upon as being out of style. "Green has almost become a basic in a man's wardrobe. It won't date itself because it's so common now."

Prosserman says teals, blues and mauves are the strong colors for spring and summer, especially in sport coats, while by fall Moore's stores will be displaying more conservative tones of black, charcoal gray and navy.

Part of the move toward conservatism is style-driven, but it is also due to the fact that retailers are being cautious and don't want to take a chance on fashion colors that may not move in this market. "They're safer looks but still exciting for the customer," Prosserman says.

At Grant Mackenzies, Katz says shoppers will see garments that have moved away from strong patterns — stripes, checks and plaids — to "more sophisticated plain shades with a little surface interest. They offer a natural look, with softer construction and an easy fit, though the silhouette has narrowed somewhat."

Katz says his store deals in high-end garments, with most fabrics originating in Italy. But like many other retailers in this environment, he'll take a short margin to bring the price down. The store reflects that same philosophy. "We try and create a comfortable environment, but it's not flashy. We put the money into product and service rather than design of the store."

Moore's, because of the way it promotes itself, is known as a low-priced men's store. But Prosserman says the vast selection offered, with 90 percent of it manufactured by Moore's at its Montreal factory, covers a wide range of price points.

"People have this image that we're cheap. But our selection is huge and all I ask is that people at least come in and compare."

Prosserman says advances in the technology of garment fabrication have increased the productivity of factories immensely. "That productivity is passed down to the customer in terms of savings," he says.

Moore's offers suits for summer in shades of teal, blue and mauve.

Specialty garments can be tailor-made

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through the waist for comfort and ease of wear.

Oborne says that she has worked with the Osteoporosis Association to create garments that fit the particular needs of those afflicted with osteoporosis. "For these garments we use a lot of back yokes and the fabric is gathered onto the yoke so there is a lot of fullness in the back. Deep inverted pleats open when the woman moves."

She adds that if a customer cannot find a garment suitable to her needs, she will work with them to have it tailor-made.

Oborne stresses that she does not follow fashion trends in style or color. "Trendy colors are very hard to wear. We stick with such colors as antique rose, jade green, dusty tones and turquoise. We stay away from yellow because it is quite harsh against grey hair and many seniors' skin tones. We also use a lot of natural fibres and polyester so that everything is easily washable. That is very important in a garment."

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Business Outlook

Seniors tax grants outlined

TORONTO —

In the Ontario budget presented April 30, Treasurer Floyd Laughren announced that the current Ontario Tax Grants for Seniors program will be replaced by a tax credit program that will offset property and sales taxes paid by seniors.

The Ontario Tax Credits for Seniors program is designed to provide low income seniors with more property tax and sales tax support than under the Ontario Tax Grants for Seniors program. For example, senior households with less than $23,000 in annual income will receive an average of $135 more.

Until now, seniors received property tax and sales tax support through the Ontario Tax Grants for Seniors program which allows for annual property tax grants of up to $600 per eligible household, regardless of income. These grants offset municipal and school tax paid by seniors 65 years of age and over, who own or rent their homes. In addition, a sales tax grant of $50 per senior is provided to offset sales tax paid.

Beginning with the 1992 taxation year, seniors will be able to file for new property tax and sales tax credits through their annual personal income tax return. These new credits, like existing Ontario Tax Credits, will be administered on behalf of the Province by the Federal Government (Revenue Canada, Taxation).

Property Tax Grants (PTG) - Before the budget change, the maximum annual PTG entitlement was $600. This maximum will be reduced to $450 in 1992 under the budget proposal. The first 1992 PTG payment was mailed to eligible seniors during the week of April 27. The final PTG entitlement will be made following the processing of the August 1992 application.

Sales Tax Grants (SIG) - The $50 Sales Tax Grants will be mailed as usual to all seniors in November, 1992.

In 1993 when seniors file their 1992 personal income tax returns, they will claim the new property tax and sales tax credits based on their 1992 property taxes or rent. In future years, seniors will continue to claim the Ontario property tax and sales tax credits for seniors.

No Ontario Tax Grants (PTG and STG) for seniors will be paid in respect of 1993 and subsequent taxation years.

For more information on the Ontario tax credits and grants programs, please call the Ministry of Revenue's multilingual Information Centre toll-free: Metro Toronto 965-8470; all other areas 1-800-263-7965; telecommunication device for the deaf (TDD) 1-800-263-7776.

Defective car seats

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The 3.5 million member, not-for-profit Canadian Automobile Association, in co-operation with Transport Canada, is advising consumers of a potential problem affecting 2,800 Century STE convertible car seats.

During government dynamic testing, it was found that in the forward-facing position, the tether strap retaining tube pulled out, thereby cracking the plastic shell of the seat in the tether strap region. Without the tether strap to limit forward movement of the car seat, this problem could allow excessive head excursion during a frontal collision.

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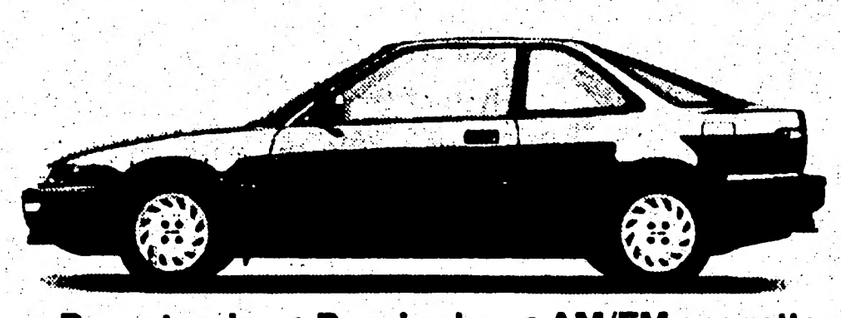
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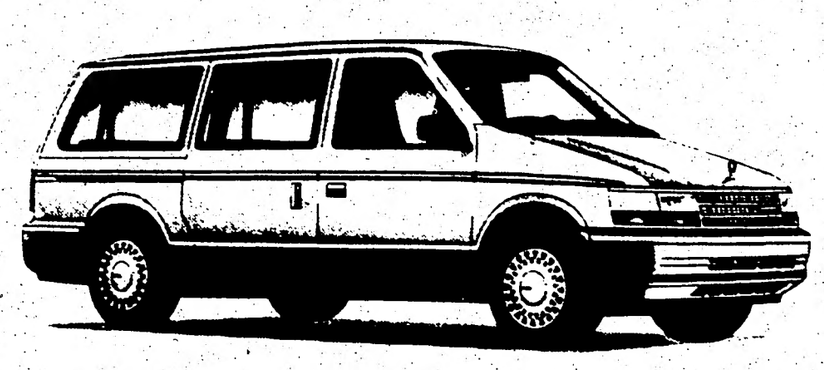
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54 Personal Companions

I am looking for an intelligent outgoing, caring, sensitive romantic man who is between the ages of 29-34, and is ambitious and career oriented. I enjoy the movies, dancing, theatre, taking long walks. A picture is required. Box 5484 CJN. 9978

Teacher, male, mid-thirties, non-smoker, non-drinker, would like to share life with a sensitive, honest and sincere marriage-minded girl 20 to 35 for a lifetime committment. Box 5490 CJN. 10046

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A birthday personal
He's an attractive athletic thirty-year-old Jewish male. A good friend, business oriented, fashionable, adventurous, homorous, considerate, generous, non-smoker and would never think of placing this ad himself. He's socially active, but still hasn't met Ms. Right-Stein. She should be attractive, fit, fun, sympathetic, empathetic, family oriented, adventurous and a non-smoker. Hopefully this will be a birthday present for him to remember. Photo appreciated and he will answer all. I promise. Reply to Box 5492 CJN. 10050

Very attractive, articulate, cuddly, cultured, fit, non-kosher, professional, well groomed, 37, 5'10", 155lbs., with own home, seeks elegant, non-smoking, professional, refined, single woman, 25-37, with an occasional naughty side. Interests: Black tie, boating, cooking, dining out, downhill skiing, jeans, movies, racket sports, skating, snuggling, theatre. Detailed letter and photo (or an accurate description) appreciated. Box 5495 CJN. 10085

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I am looking for a man who is between the ages of 30-35. I'm looking for a man who is sensitive, understanding, caring, loving and outgoing. I like to go to movies, long walks, dancing and theatre. Picture is required. Box 5483 CJN. 9962

Are you an educated, progressive minded lady, 50-60, reasonable height and weight, financially independent? I am a cultured, professional male, 63, with similar attributes. Box 5494 CJN. 10065

Cute, chubby, 50's young lady, educated, classy, professional, one-man woman, looking for late 50's, early 60's one-woman man, sincere, honest, established, recently widowed O.K., looking, to spend the rest of his life with someone special. If you are that someone please send me a letter at P.O Box 3023 Station D, Willowdale, Ontario M2R 3G0.

55 Obituaries

Israel Freedman on May 1/92, late of 25 Canyon Ave. #1903.
Bessie Weintraub on May 1/92, late of 3560 Bathurst St.
Bernard Noyek on May 2/92, late of 34 Sultana Ave.
Edith Blackstein on May 3/92, late of 33 Forest Wood.
Yosepha Keshat on May 5/92, late of 122 Mintwood Drive.
Jack Fedder on May 5/92, late of 19 Lower Village Gate PH #01.
Regina Schapira on May 5/92, late of 1035 Eglinton Avenue W.
Nathan Roher on May 5/92, late of 9 Wigan Crescent.
Mark Allen on May 6/92, late of 5 Wakunda Avenue #1015.
Lena Goldstein on May 7/92, late of 625 Woborn Avenue.
Harold Akler on May 7/92, late of 76 Alamosa Drive.

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Broda, Morris on May 6, 1992, late of 334 Concord Ave.
Grossman, Paul on May 6, 1992, late of 201 Pannahill Rd.
Lipton, Marvin on May 5, 1992, late of 46 Brookview Drive.
Mitnik, Nella on May 4, 1992, late of 18 Theobalds Circle.
Pindrus, Klava on May 4, 1992, late of 10 Torresdale Ave., #408.
Weissberger, Eva on May 6, 1992, late of 142 Fisherville Rd.
Wilenczyk, Sam on MAy 7, 1992, late of 27 Austin Terrace.

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Steeles-College Memorial Chapel

56 **Unveilings**

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The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late
CLARENCE MARCUS ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 24th, 12:00 noon
Pardes Shalom Cemetery
Dufferin, N. of Major Mackenzie
Beth David B'nai Israel
Beth Am Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
SAM HELLER ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 31st, 10:30 a.m.
Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park
Zaglembier Society Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
MEYER DRILLICK ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 24th, 1:15 p.m.
Dawes Road Cemetery
Sons of Jacob Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
MORRIS ROSENBAUM ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 31st, 11:30 a.m.
Pardes Shalom Cemetery
Beth Tikvah Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late beloved
JENNIE MAGERMAN ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 31st, 11:00 a.m.
Mount Sinai Memorial Park
Independent Friendly Workers Circle

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
Shirley Bornstein ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 31st, 10:00 a.m.
Roselawn Cemetery
Apter Shul Section
Relatives and friends are invited to attend

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
BEN SOCKEN ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 31st, 11:00 a.m.
Mt. Sinai Memorial Park
986 Wilson Avenue
Shaarei Tefillah Section
Relatives and friends are invited to attend

56 **Unveilings**

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
IRVING HANICK ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 24th, 10:30 a.m.
Pardes Shalom Cemetery
Dufferin, N. of Major Mackenzie
Beth Tikvah Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Morris Goldberg** will take place on Sunday, May 24, 1992, 10:15am, at Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

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SCHACTER, JOEL
The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of Joel Schacter will be held Sunday, May 24, 1992 at 10:30 a.m. at Dawes Road Cemetery in the Temple Sinai Section.

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late
SAUL BLAJ ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 24th, 11:00 a.m.
Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park
Pultusker Society Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument in loving memory of the late
BERYLE WOLKOFF ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 24th, 11:00 a.m.
Pardes Shalom Cemetery
Beth Tikvah Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late
GOLDIE LANDEN ז"ל
will take place
Sunday, May 31st, 12:00 noon
Dawes Road Cemetery
Beth David Section
Relatives & friends are invited to attend.

Shaare Zedek dinner to mark 90 years

TORONTO —

The waiting time in Israel for cardiac surgery was markedly increased with the influx of immigrants from the then-Soviet Union according to Prof. Monty Zion, immediate past head of cardiology at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre.

In town for his grandson's bar mitzvah, Zion recently addressed the members of the Tribute Committee of the upcoming gala being held on June 14 in Toronto in celebration of the 90th anniversary of the medical centre.

Proceeds will be used to purchase equipment for the Shaare Zedek cardio-thoracic unit for open heart surgery.

Zion had held his post at Shaare Zedek from 1978, when he emigrated to Israel from South Africa, until his past January, when he reached retirement. He currently serves as a consultant with a medical clinic and still works closely with Shaare Zedek.

"I realized upon my arrival in Israel how necessary additional cardiac surgery services were in Israel. But implementation wasn't possible because of funding shortages and other reasons.

"There were nine Israeli institutions offering this service, but because of the inadequacy of the system, they couldn't cope."

The waiting time for cardiac surgery was increased from one year to two — an extremely dangerous state of affairs.

The influx of thousands of Jews from Eastern Europe, many of whom have severe heart conditions that were inadequately or improperly treated before their emigration, strained the Israeli services even further.

As a result, after many years of lobbying the health ministry, Shaare Zedek was finally given permission to open a heart surgery facility. The unit was opened last July and to date the lives of close to 400 men, women and children (including several newborns) have been saved by its services.

In addition, of the 400 patients who underwent cardiac catherizations at Shaare Zedek, 150, or 30 percent, were Russian immigrants, even though they comprise only five percent of the population.

The surgical unit is the first phase in the Shaare Zedek Comprehensive Heart Institute, which is slated for completion by the end of 1994. It will occupy the entire 10th floor of the medical centre and will be the only facility of its kind in Israel.

For information on the June 14 Shaare Zedek "birthday bash," please call Sheila Dropkin at 781-3584.

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